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Robber strikes at Kingfisher Golf Course

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A robber struck at the Kingfisher Golf Course in Talofofo Thursday noon but responding police officers immediately arrested the suspect—notorious ex-convict Ramon Cabrera Blas.

» **Cops arrest notorious ex-convict**

At yesterday's hearing, Superior Court associate judge David A. Wiseman found probable cause to justify the arrest of the 52-year-old Blas.

Assistant attorney general Russell Lorfing recommended a $20,000 cash bail for Blas, but Wiseman increased it to $50,000 cash, saying the suspect poses a danger to the community.

Preliminary hearing will be on Nov. 3 at 9am.

Police officer J.J. Cabrera, who narrated to the court the

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NEW PLAYGROUND

IT&E staffers Dino Garcia and Joe Madreo apply finishing touches on the children's playground that the company is installing at Pakpak Beach in San Antonio. Employees of the telecommunications firm started working on the installation of the children's playground, which was made-to-order in the U.S. mainland, early this week. IT&E will present this donation to the community today.

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CPUC approves GTA application

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The Commonwealth Public Utilities Commission approved yesterday the application of Guam-based telecommunications company GTA Services LLC to set up shop and do business in the Commonwealth.

In a statement yesterday, GTA said that it will begin operating in the Commonwealth in mid-2012.

"The PUC's decision to allow GTA TeleGuam to offer communications services in the CNMI is a win for the Commonwealth," said Dan Tydingco, executive vice-president of external and legal affairs of the company.

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New Saipan casino bill to be filed after NMC survey

» **Manglona says Senate will take cue from survey result**

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Rep. Ralph Demapan (Cov-Saipan) is expected to introduce a bill legalizing casino gambling on Saipan after the Nov. 4 survey by the Current Issues class of the Northern Marianas College.

Unlike the doomed House Local Bill 17-44, which Gov. Benigno R. Fitial vetoed on Oct. 6, Demapan's measure will be introduced on the House floor and will need to be approved by the Senate.

HLB 17-44 was enacted by the Saipan and Northern Islands Local Delegation.

"Try and look around. Are we getting any better? Are we going to continue to sit here and not do anything? From the very beginning I already saw the House local bill's vulnerability for attacks and because of that I would like to introduce a Commonwealth law [legalizing casino gambling on Saipan]," Demapan said yesterday.

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'Right to due process is bedrock of democracy'

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Lewis

In a stinging rebuke to critics, former Immigration and Naturalization Service general attorney Loida Nicolas Lewis said that her advice to jobless aliens who will lose status after the Nov. 27, 2011, deadline for umbrella permits is not her own opinion but is a provision of the U.S. Constitution.

"Each of the workers affected by the deadline has the right to due process—a right to have his/her day in court. In this case, the Immigration Court. It is not my opinion; 'due process of law' is the bedrock of democracy in this great nation," said Lewis in an email to the *Saipan Tribune*.

On Wednesday, press secretary Angel Demapan downplayed Lewis' advice to jobless foreign workers fearing deportation after Nov. 27, saying that they "should distinguish the underlying difference between a matter of law and

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‘Take pride in your language, history’

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A visiting official from the Guam Tourism Education Council, Heidi Ballendorf, encouraged CNMI students to appreciate the islands’ culture, history and language, which make the Marianas unique compared to other destinations.

Speaking to over 200 of public school students at the 2011 MTEC/MYWAVE Tourism Summit yesterday, Ballendorf said that Saipan continues to enjoy the influx of tourists from various destinations mainly due to the “unique” features of the island.

She pointed out that only a little more than half of the people in Guam know how to speak the Chamorro language and the trend continues to decline.

“What makes this island unique? It’s your language and history that set this destination apart. You need to cultivate them to attract tourists to come. In many places in the States, kids don’t know about their history, the World War II stories. You just need to identify what’s unique about your island and help promote it,” she said.

Yesterday’s summit was part of Marianas Tourism Education Council’s efforts to get the youth involved in tourism activities.

MTEC board president Vicky Benavente said yesterday that compared to over 600 students in the first summit in 2004, only over 200 students participated yesterday. She said it is the organization’s goal to bring back the focus of students on MYWAVE activities that will aid in the recovery of ailing tourism industry. She described the students’ beach cleanups, greetings at airports and ship arrivals, performances around and outside the island as sure ways to attract tourists. To intensify these efforts, Benavente said that MTEC plans to endorse tourism and hospitality as a major component of the school curriculum.

For Garapan Elementary School sixth grader Nicole Meyers, yesterday’s summit gave her better understanding about tourism. She vowed her continue participating in beach cleanups to maintain the beauty of the destination.

VJ Agulto, an eighth grader from Hopwood Junior High, also vowed to show the *Hafa Adai* [welcome] spirit to visitors.

Yesterday’s event was also graced by University of Guam professor Dr. Fred Schumann, MVA board members led by chair Marian Aldan-Pierce, MVA managing director Perry Tenorio, and representatives of the Legislature and the office of Delegate Kilili Sablan.

MTEC is a nonprofit organization established in 2002. Its objective is to promote community awareness on the importance of tourism industry. MYWAVE stands for Marianas Youth Welcome All Visitors Enthusiastically.

Poker license fees for FY2011 short of $200K

The pie just keeps getting smaller.

The poker license fee collections for fiscal year 2011 is out and, in another blow to the cash-strapped CNMI government, revenues from registered poker machines is short by some $200,000, according to Saipan and Northern Islands Local Delegation House Ways and Means chair Ray Yumul (R-Saipan).

Yumul said the SNILD expected $3,454,000 in poker license fees for last fiscal year but collections by the Department of Finance wound up with only $3,228,050—a shortfall of $225,9500.

And since $3.1 million will be allocated to the Saipan Higher Education Fund Administration ($3 million for actual scholarships and $100,000 for operations), only $128,050 would be left to be divvied up among 17 programs.

Under local law, the programs would have a pro-rated share of the remaining funds. However, Yumul questioned the process that Finance used to divide the monies because some programs got a greater percentage than others.

For instance, the Saipan Little League Baseball Association was supposed to get $25,000 but only got $14,972.

The 30th Annual Flame Tree Arts Festival was originally budgeted at $20,000 but got $17,062 in the end.

Worse, some programs like Saipan Zoning and the Public School System for its equipment maintenance were earmarked $75,000 and $39,000 but Finance failed to remit such monies to the programs.

Yumul said the problems with the original appropriation vis-à-vis the actual remitted funds after pro-rated cuts is hindering the delegation’s attempts to earmark monies for fiscal year 2012.

Yesterday morning alone during its session, representatives from the Saipan Mayor’s Office and the Saipan Southern High School Manta Ray Band went before SNILD to ask funding for court judgments and a trip to the 2012 London Summer Olympics, respectively.

Saipan Mayor Donald Flores’ special assistant Henry Hofschneider said the municipality needs SNILD’s expenditure authority so it could appropriate money raised from its “batu,” cockfighting, and bingo activities to pay $44,000 in judgments relating to the Liberation Day fireworks accident in 2007 and another case involving money it owes Guangdong Hardware.

SSHS principal Jesse Tudela, Manta Ray Band director James Dewitt, and two band members, meanwhile, asked SNILD for any funding to help defray the costs to send the 50-person musical group to the Summer Olympics from July to August next year. ***(Mark Rabago)***

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Hearing for lawsuit to suspend CW rule set next week

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U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona yesterday set for Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 1:30pm, the hearing of a lawsuit that seeks to stop federal officials from implementing the CNMI-only Transitional Worker final rule.

In a two-page order, Manglona noted that certificates of service of the petition (lawsuit) on respondents have not been filed with the court.

"Petitioners must demonstrate compliance with the service requirements of Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, including service of this order on the Respondents," Manglona said.

The plaintiffs or petitioners are Bonifacio V. Sagana, Manuel T. Vilaga, Gerardo G. De Guzman, Hector T. Sevilla, Carlito J. Marquez, Eduardo M. Elenzano, and Jong Ho Lee. They filed the lawsuit *pro se* or without a lawyer. They asked the court to certify their lawsuit as a class action.

They want the court to suspend the implementation of the CW final rule by Nov. 28, 2011, which they described as "unlawful."

Named as defendants or respondents in the suit are Department of Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services District Director David Gulick, U.S. Labor Secretary Hilda L. Solis, and U.S. Department of Labor District Director Terrence Trotter.

The plaintiffs want the court to declare the implementation of the CW Final Rule as unlawful and that it exceeds the defendants' constitutional and statutory authority.

Vilaga is a U.S. citizen, while Lee is a U.S. permanent resident. The other plaintiffs or petitioners are long-term nonresident workers who mostly have U.S. citizen children.

Flores eyes share of $15 'travel fee' to fund cultural exchange program

Mayor Donald G. Flores wants a cut in the amount that would be raised from a bill that seeks to collect a new $15 "travel promotion fee" from passengers from non-U.S. destinations.

Flores is urging the Legislature to earmark 10 percent of the total amount that would be collected to help fund his office's decades-old cultural exchange program.

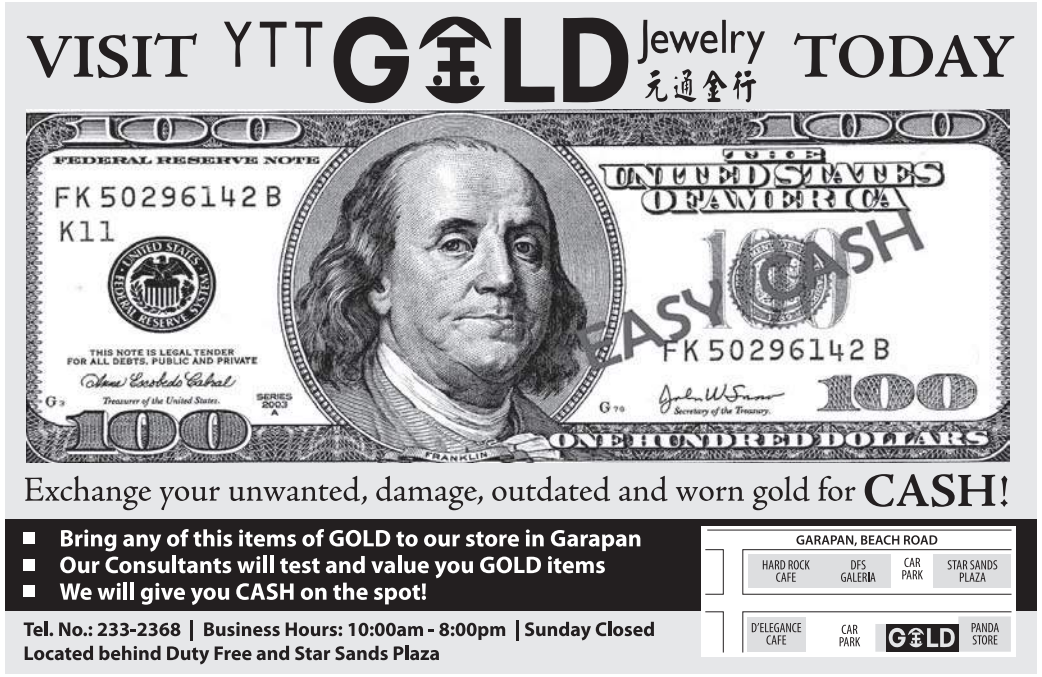
The proposed fee is outlined in House Bill 17-179. It is now awaiting the governor's signature.

"As the student cultural exchange program continues year after year, we are finding it very difficult to reciprocate hosting our Japanese and Korean visitors here at our very own home at the level of treatment we receive when we travel to their home countries. We need funds to ensure our exchange program survives for years to come, and by doing so, would encourage our Japanese and Korean friends to return to our island year after year," wrote Flores in a letter to House and Senate officials.

Flores, in his letter, underscored the importance of the cultural exchange programs as it allows students "experience firsthand our own core values and way of life" as they enter the homes of their host local families.

According to Flores, the cultural exchange program is "a source of revenue for the CNMI" as participating students and chaperones shop during their stay on the island.

Flores pointed out the cultural exchange program "does not even spend a penny on advertisement" yet "it brings in visitors from Japan and Korea year after year." ***(Clarissa V. David)***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PARTY FOR THE PRINCIPAL
Oleai Elementary School celebrates National Principals Month. The staff, together with the PTSA officers, provided refreshments, gift baskets, and a plaque for school principal Glen Muña.

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a matter of personal opinion."

Lewis, in an interview with radio station KWAW Magic 100.3 FM on Tuesday, said that jobless foreign workers should tell an immigration judge their "equities," including having U.S. citizen children—especially if they are in the U.S. military.

"Press secretary Angel Demapan seems uninformed that what I said during the radio interview was not an opinion but was a provision of the Constitution of the United States: 'No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law.' Unless, of course, Mr. Demapan believes the CNMI is not part of the United States of America," said Lewis, who is also chair of the U.S. Pinoys for Good Governance.

She also had fighting words for Rep. Ramon A. Tebuteb (R-Saipan), who had said that perhaps Lewis was just trying to drum up business.

"I have not represented a single client but the U.S. government since 1978 when I became a general attorney of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. To jump to a hasty conclusion that I was seeking clients during my radio interview is the most ignorant argument I have ever heard," she said.

Lewis is considered one of the richest Filipino-Americans and has been named the top U.S. woman business executive by The National Foundation for Women Business Owners and *Working Woman* magazine.

No comment

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement refused to comment on Lewis' remarks and Western Regional Communications director/spokesperson Virginia Kice re-sent a statement the agency gave the *Saipan Tribune* recently.

"ICE does not disclose whether it will conduct specific law enforcement actions in the future. That said, the agency is focused on smart, effective immigration enforcement that prioritizes efforts to target those who present a risk to public safety or national security, along with criminal aliens and egregious immigration violators," it stated.

Mind of their own

For her part, longtime human rights advocate and former Rota teacher Wendy Doromal criticized Demapan in her blog for seemingly trying to tell alien workers who and what they should believe.

"The foreign workers are free to believe the opinions of any person of their choice. That is their right. Why does Demapan feel the need to tell the foreign workers who to listen to or who to believe for whatever circumstance at issue? The foreign workers are educated adults who can research, sort out facts, and make their own opinions," she said in her website, www.unheardnomore.blogspot.com.

"The foreign workers can make their own choices. If they want to stay after Nov. 27, 2011, even if they have no employer or visa, then that is their decision. If they want to leave to find jobs elsewhere, then that is their decision. If they want to sue the CNMI government for failing to prosecute employers who owe them back wages, then that is their decision. If they want to march, rally, picket, petition, strike, contact officials, or talk to the press, then that is their decision. Not Demapan's, not the governor's, not mine—theirs," she added.

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The bill is almost done, he said, and that it took him awhile to piece together because he wants it to adhere to Commonwealth codes and make sure that licensing and other associated fees will go to the NMI Retirement Fund and other important government programs.

He intends to introduce the bill "hopefully by next week or [I could] wait" until after the Nov. 4 survey of NMC.

"In the meantime I would like to encourage everyone interested in this issue to go out and exercise their right to vote because we want to hear their opinion. It's always nice to get the sentiments of the people in addition to all the public hearings that were held several months ago," said Demapan.

Senate President Paul Manglona (Ind-Rota) said the Senate's passage of yet another House-sponsored Saipan casino bill will hinge on the NMC survey.

"If it's overwhelming [for casino gambling on Saipan] that will signal the Senate members' support. One of our contentions is that people spoke up twice as recent as 2007 [that they're against Saipan casino). This [survey] will give a lot of weight to our deliberation and decision," he said.

House Speaker Eli D. Cabrera (R-Saipan) reiterated his support for casino gambling on Saipan, contending that the cash-strapped CNMI government needs revenue-generating measures.

"We really need the revenue. Although it's a controversial issue, that's the only one right now that I can perceive that can save us. We really need to save our Retirement Fund," he said.

Besides the struggling pension program, Cabrera pointed out that the government has not given any wage grade increases and merit increases in the last 14 years. That's on top of the current 31-hour work cuts government workers are already experiencing.

"We owe a lot to the employees. I don't blame them if they're not happy nowadays. They're owed money," he said.

Chiming in on the issue, press secretary Angel Demapan said that the Fitial administration supports casino gambling on Saipan.

"Clearly, we already know that our economy has been suffering and that we are in dire need of new industries that would realize large scale generation of revenue. For this reason, the administration is in support of establishing a properly regulated and profitable casino industry in Saipan."

He said that Rep. Demapan is taking the right steps by introducing the bill as a CNMI-wide measure.

"The administration had previously worked with members of the Legislature to come up with a quality bill aimed at legalizing casino on Saipan. The main issue at this point is to ensure that the bill is passed as a House bill instead of a local delegation bill so that there are no questions of constitutionality when the bill is enacted as a Commonwealth law rather than Saipan local law," he said.

The press secretary, however, said the administration would have preferred having a special election or referendum take place instead of an informal survey results that will have no binding authority.

"Nonetheless, the administration does encourage Saipan voters to participate in the upcoming survey so that our leaders can have a sense of the public's sentiment," he said.

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The GTA official said that fair competition motivates service providers to innovate and offer improved network and customer services. "If providers don't continually improve service or offer competitive rates, they risk losing market share because customers have a choice of providers."

He added that GTA's entry to the CNMI is the company's first major coverage area expansion outside of Guam since it was privatized in 2005.

Securing regulatory approval to operate in the CNMI is the first major hurdle GTA TeleGuam needed to clear before it can begin selling business voice and data communications services in the Commonwealth. Next, GTA must negotiate an inter-carrier connection agreement with the incumbent local exchange provider in the CNMI.

GTA filed its application with the CPUC on March 22, 2011. PUC's consultant, Georgetown Consulting, recommended approving the application.

In the regulatory meeting yesterday, IT&E representative Larry Kinecht questioned the commission's transparency, raising concerns about the availability of public documents related to GTA's application.

PUC chair Viola Alepuyo explained, however, that despite the absence of a functional website for PUC, all decisions and related petitions filed with the commission are available at the Saipan Chamber of Commerce website. Alepuyo said that PUC operates on a zero budget while regulating multimillion-dollar companies on island.

IT&E earlier filed a motion to intervene in GTA's application, but this was denied. The commission also determined that GTA has the financial, technical, and managerial resources and abilities to do business in the Commonwealth.

ROBBER

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circumstances that led to Blas' arrest, said that a 45-year-old Chinese woman was playing golf with friends by Hole No. 18 when the suspect jumped into her golf cart and sped off, taking her bag and a companion's bag that were left in the cart. The bags contained $349 and other items.

Witnesses spotted the suspect, later identified as Blas, parking the cart nearby, fleeing on foot toward the cliffline, and walking toward Jeffrey's Beach. That was where responding police officers caught him.

Witnesses, including the victims, positively identified Blas.

Officers recovered $349 from him.

A water hose was also found hanging on the cliffline. Investigators were still checking whether Blas used the hose to escape or to lower the stolen items.

Lorfing said that investigators are also checking whether Blas is connected with other robbery incidents at other golf courses.

Court records show that Blas has several criminal convictions since 1994, mostly for robbery, burglary, theft, and assault.

Among his previous cases is a burglary and theft incident on July 15, 2004, when police arrested him for burglarizing a van in Garapan where he stole a portable DVD player and an electric saw. That same night, Blas also stole a laptop worth $2,000 from Pastime Dive Shop in China Town.

Police recovered the items in Blas' possession along with bundles of U.S. dollar bills worth $1,856 and Japanese yen bills of unknown amount, as well as drug paraphernalia.

Lorfing said that they are taking these robberies seriously, citing the importance of protecting tourists and other customers in golf courses.

On Oct. 18, an unidentified man robbed an elderly Japanese couple who were playing golf at Mariana Country Club in Marpi. The suspect ran off with the victims' purse containing two pairs of sunglasses and $300 worth of traveler's checks.

On Oct. 10, an unidentified man also robbed a 51-year-old local female who was playing golf with her daughter at Coral Ocean Point. The suspect ran off with the victims' purses that had been left on the golf cart. The purses contained $700 cash. The suspect and a companion fled the parking lot on two three-wheeled motor scooters.

Zoning to issue notices vs public nuisances, signage violations

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Starting Nov. 7, the Zoning Office will be issuing violation notices to those who do not comply with the requirements of the Public Nuisance and Signs under the zoning law.

Acting Zoning administrator Therese T. Ogumoro made the announcement "due to the unfavorable result of recent inspections carried out throughout several villages and thoroughfares and main tourist areas."

Public nuisance is defined under the Saipan Zoning Law of 2008 as "an unreasonable interference with a right common to the general public." It "does not change its character by reason of its location on private or public property, occupied or unoccupied property."

Examples of public nuisance are vegetation obstructing the safe passage or sight of motorists or pedestrians at an intersection or any street or sidewalk; abandoned vehicles or appliances in public view; a building or structure in such dilapidated condition that it presents a fire hazard or a menace to the health of the public; and laundry hung outside on a balcony, terrace, porch, deck or veranda within the view of the public, particularly in the tourism related districts zoned as Garapan Core, Garapan East, Beach Road, and Tourist Resort.

Ogumoro said that violation notices will also be issued for building, ground, and banner signs that are not permitted under the zoning law.

"Most of the signs, especially banners, have been improperly placed or damaged and owners are responsible to remove them or bring them into compliance with the law," she explained.

Violators of this zoning requirement will face criminal and civil penalties, including fines up to $1,000 per day.

In an interview yesterday, Ogumoro told Saipan Tribune that the full implementation of this zoning requirement "has to do with the image of our island, not just for our visitors but also for the residents."

When asked why the zoning requirement was not implemented in the past, Ogumoro replied, "Perhaps it may not have been seen as a priority by the previous administrator."

The acting administrator added that their effort to fully implement the requirement is "not just about following the law."

"It's all about the businesses, communities, and neighbors working together to promote our island and people as clean, healthy, attractive, and safe," she said.

Ogumoro said the Zoning Office and board extend their appreciation "to those businesses, developers and residents who have done so much to improve the island aesthetically, with clean surroundings and their use of attractive landscaping to screen storage or service areas from public view."

For more information, visit the Zoning Office website at www.zoning.gov.mp or call 234-9661.

RED RIBBON WEEK

Three Saipan schools join anti-drug campaign

The U. S. Attorney's Office partnered with the Drug Enforcement Administration, Guam National Guard Counterdrug Program, the CNMI Department of Public Safety, the CNMI Division of Customs, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives to bring the Red Ribbon Week message to Saipan yesterday.

For the first time ever, over 160 students from Garapan Elementary School, over 200 students from Hopwood Junior High School and about 100 students from Saipan Southern High School received the Red Ribbon message yesterday.

U. S. Attorney Alicia A.G. Limtiaco was joined by CNMI Customs director Jesus Muna, DPS officers Nick Leon Guerrero and Antonio Kaipat, and ATF special agent John Quintanilla to make the presentations.

Red Ribbons were passed to the students in attendance.

Special appreciation is given to Education Commissioner Rita Sablan and her principals and staff, for their coordination of the schools receiving the presentations. These three presentations are the first of many school outreaches that will be conducted during Red Ribbon Week in the future.

The Red Ribbon Campaign was started when drug traffickers in Mexico City murdered Kiki Camarena, a DEA agent, in 1985. His friends, family and co-workers wanted to remember Kiki by wearing red ribbons. This began the continuing tradition and displaying of Red Ribbons as a symbol of intolerance toward the use of drugs. The mission of the Red Ribbon Campaign is to present a unified and visible commitment for the creation of a drug-free America.

This congressionally recognized program is commemorated nationwide on Oct. 23 – 31. In Guam, Red Ribbon Week activities are spread out throughout the month of October and the Red Ribbon Week Committee includes local agencies, private and non-profit organizations, local and federal agencies, and the military.

This year the Red Ribbon Committee visited schools in Guam, every day in October. Some of the activities were a poster contest, a rap/poetry contest and a school gate contest. A community outreach was also held at the Micronesia Mall. Several mayors helped coordinate and participated in the Red Ribbon Waves that were held in northern, southern and central Guam.

Limtiaco and local CNMI and federal partners would like to see the Red Ribbon Week commemorated in the Northern Mariana Islands starting with the three schools who received the presentations yesterday. If you would like to become a partner and join the Red Ribbon Committee in the CNMI, contact the U.S. Attorney's Office at salome.blas@usdoj.gov. ***(USAO)***

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Pangelinan is KagES' outstanding teacher of the year

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Kagman Elementary School has named first grade teacher Lee S. Pangelinan as its most outstanding educator, giving her the honor of representing the school in the Public School System's search for the CNMI Teacher of the Year next month.

This is Pangelinan's first time to be recognized as a Teacher of the Year since joining KagES in December 2006.

Education awardees of Kagman Elementary School gather for a group photo during a visit yesterday on campus. From left are Support Staff of the Year Eladia Muña, Teacher of the Year Lee S. Pangelinan, KagES principal Ignacia Demapan, and Teacher Aide of the Year Francisco Arurang.
MONETH G. DEPOSA

She said the unexpected honor is a testament to her dedication and commitment to schoolchildren and shared how her own children inspired her to become a good educator.

"I became a mother at a very young age and because of my desire to really help my child, I took some classes at first so I could teach my child on my own. Since then, I found joy in doing it. I can say they are my greatest inspiration," she said.

The encouragement she got from an aunt, herself a former educator, added to her interest in pursuing this career.

Pangelinan obtained her bachelor's degree at Northern Marianas College and completed her master's degree from Framingham State University after two years.

Being a teacher, Pangelinan said, requires passion and commitment. The smiles and gratitude she gets from students every day is "very rewarding."

"Just by seeing their successes—from the day they enter the classroom until the time they exit—is truly fulfilling…because you know in your heart that they learned something from you and you impacted their lives," she said.

This year, KagES' Teacher Aide of the Year is Francisco K. Arurang, who has been with PSS for 21 years, the first 10 spent at Hopwood Junior High School where he was named the Teacher Aide of the Year in 1994. Prior to joining Kagman Elementary, he also served San Antonio Elementary for a year.

"It feels great to be selected," he told *Saipan Tribune* yesterday, adding that the recognition serves as an added motivation for him to do better on his job. Arurang is assigned at the school's special education program where he attends to at least five students. His ultimate goal is to see all children with special needs acquiring life skills and becoming independent.

This father of three believes that "patience, understanding, and commitment" are key to achieving success in any job.

KagES conferred its Support Staff of the Year award to Eladia Muña, the school's custodian for five years now. Muña was the recipient of the same award in 2008.

The 48-year-old employee first served the school as a volunteer, being one of the members of its PTSA. She recalls a scene in 2005 when she saw school principal Ignacia Demapan cleaning the school's restrooms. "From that day on, I was inspired and motivated by the school principal…the reason I volunteered for some months just to help clean the campus." A year later, she finally joined the KagES family.

Louie Bautista, who has been a school aide for six years now, was named the Administrative Staff of the Year. This is his second time to be chosen for this award, the first time in 2008.

Named Instructor of the Year is Toyoko Chen, who is assigned at the CCLHS program for seven years now. She was once hailed a Teacher Aide of the Year in 2003 until she obtained her certification and rose through the ranks. This is her first award under the Instructor of the Year category.

Hailed as Counselor of the Year is Daniel Basaldua who has been serving KagES for three years and is a first-time awardee.

Principal Demapan commended all the school's education awardees, describing them as truly deserving of the honor. KagES was once listed as among the turn-around schools of PSS and Demapan believes this would not have been possible without the valuable contribution and hard work of these employees.

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Man found guilty of document fraud

A federal jury yesterday found Dongjun Li guilty of trying to sneak aboard a Los Angeles-bound flight using fake documents.

The 12 jurors found the 39-year-old Chinese national guilty of immigration fraud and false statement.

Li will be sentenced on Feb. 3, 2010 at 9am.

Alicia A.G. Limtiaco, U.S. Attorney for the Districts of Guam and the NMI, said the document fraud was related to Li's possession and use of fake parole documents when he tried to check in for a trip to California on July 15, 2011, at the Saipan International Airport.

Limtiaco said the false statement concerned Li's use of a CNMI marriage record, when he was later questioned about his status by U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection officers. The marriage record falsely indicated that Li was married to a U.S. citizen.

"The case was investigated by the U.S. DHS, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations, with the assistance of Customs and Border Protection," said Limtiaco in a statement.

Assistant U.S. attorney Beverly McCallum prosecuted the case. Court-appointed counsel, Mark Scoggins, served as counsel for Li.

The trial began on Tuesday. McCallum called eight witnesses. The defense did not present any witness. The jurors began their deliberations Wednesday afternoon and resumed yesterday morning.

Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona presided over the case. ***(Ferdie de la Torre)***

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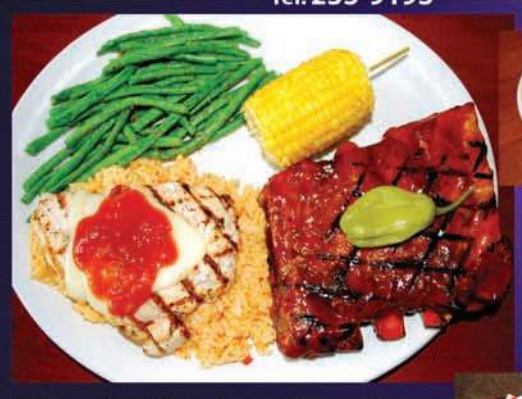

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Bill seeks to extend fed protections to NMI polls

WASHINGTON, D.C.—CNMI Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan introduced yesterday a bill extending the full protection of federal election law to the Northern Marianas.

"The people of the Northern Marianas deserve to have their elections protected by the same laws that safeguard elections and voters everywhere in our nation," Sablan said. "Voters in the Marianas deserve to be protected from intimidation, threats, or coercion, when they cast their ballots in elections. And voters deserve to know that elections for federal office will not be manipulated by public officials."

Sablan's bill has 12 original co-sponsors, including all of the non-state area representatives. In addition to the Northern Marianas, the bill also amends certain provisions of federal election law to cover American Samoa, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Among the six amendments to federal law in the bill is inclusion of the Northern Marianas in the ban against aliens voting. A fine and imprisonment up to one year are the penalties for violating this law.

Sablan's measure also makes sure that persons employed in government offices are barred from using their official authority to interfere with the nomination or election process for any federal position. The penalty for violation is a fine or up to one year in prison.

The Northern Marianas is the only non-state area not covered by the prohibitions in the Voting Rights Act of 1965 that penalize voting more than once in an election. Sablan's bill fixes that and also amends the Voting Rights Act to make the use of false information to vote or to register to vote a violation of the law.

"Voters deserve to have confidence their vote will not be watered down by repeat voters or by persons who got on to the voter rolls or into the voting booth by misrepresenting who they are," Sablan explained.

Voting Rights Act violations carry a fine of up to $10,000 and prison terms of up to five years.

Sablan's bill also clarifies that the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 applies in the Northern Marianas. At present the law only applies to "a territory or possession of the United States." Sablan's bill explicitly states that this law applies to the "Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands."

The Federal Election Campaign Act regulates fundraising and how campaigns for federal office are paid for. ***(PR)***

Japanese students say 'thank you' for letters of hope

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Yoichi Matsumura of Pacific Development Inc., left, reads the thank-you letters written by some of the victims of the earthquake and tsunami in Japan to Mayor Donald G. Flores at the Fiesta Resort and Spa last Saturday. The letters, which were a response to the Mayor's Office's "Kibo No Tegami - Letters of Hope" campaign, were brought by the Katori Jingu group during their visit to the island.

Japanese students wrote thank you messages for students from Saipan who took part in the "Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope" campaign of the Saipan Mayor's Office.

"Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope," which was launched in April, encouraged public school students to write letters of support, encouragement, and hope to families in Japan that were affected by the devastating earthquake and a tsunami that damaged the East Asian nation last March.

Through the assistance of the Saipan Rotary Club and the Hasaki Rotary Club, the 823 letters from Saipan have reached hard-hit areas, including the prefectures of Ibaraki, Iwate, Miyagi, and Fukushima.

Rev. Shoji Takahashi, high priest of the Katori Jingu group, which recently visited the island for their annual peace pilgrimage, brought over 100 letters with them and presented them to Mayor Donald G. Flores in a brief ceremony at the Fiesta Resort and Spa in Garapan on Saturday.

Yoichi Matsumura, president of Pacific Development, Inc., which coordinated the Katori Jingu group's visit, said that the Japanese people were not expecting the letters of encouragement from Saipan.

Matsumura said that Hasaki Rotary Club president Junichiro Izumi, who is also an active member of the Katori Jingu group, wanted to make sure that they express their gratitude to the people of Saipan.

Masaru Hashimoto, governor of Ibaraki Prefecture, said in his letter that the March disaster caused "unimaginable damage" and took away many lives. While essential utilities have been restored, the governor said they have just begun the restoration of public facilities and industries.

"The touching letters we received from the elementary, junior high and senior high school students [have] offered great encouragement as we work toward restoration," said Hashimoto. "I will continue working alongside the people of Ibaraki Prefecture in an all-out effort to revitalize the region as quickly as possible.

Kamisu City Mayor Kazuo Hotate, for his part, said the encouraging messages from Saipan students were translated by Izumi and the International Affairs Division of Ibaraki Prefecture and given to the Fukashiba Elementary School.

Their sixth grade students, Hotate said, were "touched by the messages from Saipan" that they held a gathering on June 27 called "Bond with Saipan People" wherein the students read and gave their reaction to the translated letters.

"They really appreciate the warmhearted encouragement and made a new resolution to overcome the disaster," he wrote in his letter.

Hotate expressed hope that they could further the cultural exchange between Kamisu City and Saipan and bring opportunity to develop a bond between the island's elementary schools and Fukashiba Elementary School.

Flores said he plans to give copies of the letters from Japan to the students who took part in the "Kibo No Tegami – Letters of Hope" campaign.

"Our students on Saipan wrote from their hearts and came up with compassionate letters to help the people of Japan rise above the devastating impacts of the earthquake and tsunami that happened to their country," he told *Saipan Tribune*.

BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS

Happy birthday to Tita Farah Jane Chan! May you have many more birthdays to come! Thank you for caring for us! We love you! God bless! Greetings come from Queen Anne, Daphne, Keeno, and Louis!

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Happy birthday to our *magas*, Daisy Igitol! Growing old is mandatory, growing up is optional. May each and every passing, years bring you wisdom, peace and cheer. Count your life by smile, not tears. Count your age by friends, not years. Greetings come from your Indians, si Bubble Head and Air Head!

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Flashback

A LOOK BACK AT PAST YEARS' HEADLINES

Oct. 28, 1999

Govt owes landowners $80 million

The government intends to address a huge backlog in unpaid settlement totaling to $80 million it owes landowners whose properties were acquired for right-of-way or easement projects, according to House Ways and Means Committee chair Karl T. Reyes. He said these land acquisition dealings were done as far back as 1990 and ranged from a small lot area of 11 square meters to more than 7,000 sqm. "They have not been fully paid or not paid yet by the government," Reyes told reporters in an interview yesterday. "We just want to see how we can address this." Since payment for these obligations were not included in the fiscal budget of the government for the last two years, the Legislature and the administration will try to work out a scheme to reduce the debts.

CHC's mammography facility gets US accreditation

The American College of Radiologist has recently certified the mammography facility of the Commonwealth Health Center after meeting the requirements that included tests on the capability of hospital technician, radiologist and physician, according to Public Health Secretary Joseph Kevin Villagomez. This means that the facility can conduct yearly breast examination until such time the it has to renew accreditation from the American College of Radiologists, said Susan Zehr, manager of the radiology division. The accreditation has to be renewed every three years. With the accreditation given last week, Zehr said the people in the community are assured of receiving quality health care.

Oct. 28, 2002

PCB worries hold off homestead project

Another homestead project has been put on hold following a warning that the area may be contaminated with PCB. According to the Marianas Public Lands Authority, its homestead project on Capitol Hill, which covers about 18-20 lots, would need additional environmental evaluation. In an interview, MPLA Commissioner Bertha C. Deleon Guerrero said regulatory agencies could not release the permits for those lots due to possible PCB contamination. In the meantime, she said, the MPLA will reevaluate its options-whether to go ahead with a soil test or look for another suitable area.

Proposed MOA frustrates CUC

The Commonwealth Utilities Corporation Board does not fully agree with the terms contained in the proposed Memorandum of Agreement with the Commonwealth Development Authority in connection with the utility firm's unsettled loans. In an interview, CUC Board Chair Frank Guerrero said board members think that the proposed MOA, which had already been signed by the CDA, was "unfair" and "one-sided." "For one, the majority of the board said do not sign it because we don't owe CDA anything," he said, adding that the the fund loaned out by the CDA was appropriated by the Legislature and was used for public purposes.

Oct. 28, 2003

Feds evaluate CNMI Head Start program

A seven-member visiting Head Start team has begun its weeklong evaluation of the local program to see if it has complied with last year's recommendations amid findings of major deficiencies in implementation. Visiting team leader Richard Ybarra said in an interview that last year's findings showed that the local program' systems were "very dysfunctional" and in need of immediate repair. "We gave them a year to correct those," said Ybarra. On Friday, the visiting group will make public its new findings on the CNMI Head Start. When asked, Ybarra said this week's visit is not in the tone of "make or break" for the local Head Start, adding that its funding for FY 2004 has, in fact, already been released.

CUC: Investors curious but no commitment

Japanese investors were very curious about the CNMI, but they have not made any business commitments, according to the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. CUC board chairman Herman P. Sablan, who joined the one-day investment meeting in Tokyo last week, said close to 500 business people showed up for the event. "There were lots of curious people." Asked whether there was any investment interest on utility services, Sablan said the business group was "looking at the CNMI business environment in general." "There's no specific commitment but we talked with them. We need to follow up with them," said Sablan.

Fitial attends launching of more flights to Saipan

Coming on the heels of the growing Chinese outbound tourists are more package tours and services being offered by the global travel industry leaders. While in Beijing, China last week, Gov. Benigno R. Fitial joined Century Tours in launching additional flights from Shanghai and Beijing to Saipan.

Beginning November this year, two more A330 planes operated by Sichuan Airlines will be chartered by Century Tours and Dynasty Holiday with the support of Duty Free Shoppers Saipan. These two travel companies are the authorized agents by the government of the Northern Marianas to promote the islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota in China. The new flights will bring the total weekly schedule to four from Shanghai Pudong International Airport to Saipan.

Saipan has been a favorite Pacific destination for Chinese tourists in the last few years with arrivals from China increasing steadily in the last four years. In 2010, Saipan recorded 42,000 Chinese tourists compared to the 29,000 visitors from the previous year. With the new charters, Fitial anticipates a 10-percent increase by the end of 2011.

"The increase in arrival is expected to be derived from increased promotion efforts in key cities such as Shanghai, Beijing, Guangzhou, and in the provinces of Zhejiang and Jiangsu," said Fitial. "Moreover, with the growing demand for quality island vacation packages, Saipan, as the nearest U.S. Pacific island, will offer flexible tour packages ranging from leisure, shopping, outdoor activities, diving, golf and romantic getaways."

Saipan has also become a famous destination for wedding and honeymoon couples. Package tour sales for weddings and honeymoons have steadily increased in the last three years.

"We have a lot to offer tourists especially during the winter season in the northeast region of China," added Fitial. "The travel distance also increases our marketability over other destinations in Southeast Asia."

Flights from Shanghai to Saipan are direct and take only less than four hours allowing more time to be spent on tour activities within a four- or five-day package. To satisfy the demand in the Beijing and the northern region, Air China has just released a notice to Century Tours that it will start a weekly scheduled flight from Beijing to Saipan within the next two months.

During a recent news briefing held in Beijing, Fitial and Beijing Administration deputy director De Bin Yu shared with more than 100 travel agents and media about the new scheduled flight, which is expected to ramp up the arrivals coming into Saipan in 2012.

In his remarks at the launching of the new Beijing flights, Fitial stated, "We have great accommodations, magnificent sights to behold, great culture and people, delicious Chamorro and Carolinian cuisine and other international treats."

The governor added that a four- to five-day vacation package may not even be enough to experience all the good things Saipan, Tinian and Rota have to offer. ***(Office of the Governor)***

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

While in Beijing, China last week, Gov. Benigno R. Fitial emerges from a mock aircraft on stage to deliver his remarks to Chinese travel agents and media representatives at the flight launch for new direct flights from Beijing to Saipan.

Calling all past Flame Tree Festival artists

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A book that would feature artists who have participated in previous Flame Tree Arts Festival events is currently in the works.

"The Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture aims to celebrate all artists who have made contributions to the Flame Tree Arts Festival through the years. Through the book project, we intend to highlight their remarkable talents that have produced great works of art that have been displayed in our biggest annual festival," said executive director Angel S. Hocog.

As part of the Council's research and preparation for the book project, Hocog said they are seeking the community's help in locating these artists.

According to Hocog, some of these artists may still be here, moved off-island or have already passed away, which is why they need to get in touch with the deceased artists' families and friends.

The artists that the Arts Council is trying to locate, including the year they participated in the festival are Brashear, Robert (1993-1994); Camacho, Bernie (1992); Copeland, Patricia (deceased); Cruz, Rolly Ding (1995); Curley, Gary Lee (1993); Dinh, Nyung (2003-2004); Elliott, Sharon (1992); Ellis, Jim (1992-1994); Flores, Tessie (2000); Gu, Sharon Ren (1994); Hartsock, Mike; Harvey, Michael (1992); Howard, Jill (1994); Lely, Bill (1992); Magofna, Manny (Perez); McDonald, Betty (2000, 2003); Meacham, Russ (1994); Mendiola, Jakeson; Meneses, Gigi (1993-1994); Moorleghen, Theresa (1992); Obar, Rino (2007-2008); Pangelinan, John Kyle; Perrson, Gunnar (1995, 1997); Rotbart, Charles (1994); Santos, John Kong; Schumacher, Yvonne (1992); Tapp, Michael J. (1992-1994); Thornburg, Jake (1992, 1994); Tubera, Herbert; Ukita Kuniyoshi (deceased); Vitarelli, Margo; Yap, Patricia (1992-1993); and Zepeda, Rolando (1997-1998).

"We hope that the public will help us in finding these artists or their families and friends and enable us to include them in the book which we plan to publish next y ear in time for the 31st Annual Flame Tree Arts Festival," said Hocog.

If you have any information about any of these artists or for inquiries, visit the Arts Council next to the Post Office in Capitol Hill or call 322-9982 or 83.

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Don't make us laugh

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A new study says that men are funnier than women—but just barely. In fact, the most remarkable finding in the UC San Diego report is that men are only a little funnier than women, despite the public perception that they are way more hilarious.

In the study, to be published online this week in Psychonomic Bulletin&Review, 16 male and 16 female college students were each asked to write captions for 20 New Yorker cartoons. Later, another group of college students, unaware of who wrote what, rated pairs of captions for each cartoon, choosing which was funnier. The winning captions were then pitted against each other in a knock-out style tournament. Overall, men's captions beat women's by 0.11 points out of a perfect score of 5.

Then the researchers brought in another group of participants and asked them to guess the caption writers' gender. Not surprisingly, the funny captions were more often wrongly attributed to men and the not-so-funny captions were more often incorrectly attributed to women.

Of course, people were debating whether men are funnier than women long before Phyllis Diller hit the Borscht Belt. And the debate continues even though most significant issues of parity between the sexes have been settled by now. Men and women are equally smart, should be paid the same for the same work, and are equally capable of running corporations and countries. For those who don't think so, there are anti-discrimination laws to remind them.

But the question of which is funnier is apparently still open to argument.

So why might men be even marginally funnier than women? The classic explanation is sociobiological: Men believe women will choose a funny guy over a handsome (unfunny) guy, thus making them highly motivated to work at it. Whether that theory is true, no one knows for sure; the funny gene hasn't yet been isolated.

However, that doesn't account for the men who work too hard at it. There's nothing less funny than a guy who thinks he's funnier than he is.

We do know this: There's a dearth of people—of either sex—who can truly make you double over, gasping for breath. At the end of the day, it's nice if anybody at all made you laugh, regardless of gender.

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The festival of lights

By JAIME VERGARA
Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Diwali is Hinduism's celebration of the festival of lights. It is actually an official holiday in several countries around the world, and the dramaturgy of its religious observance takes five days this week for the Hindus. Happily, it is also a functional "holiday" for Thailand, currently besieged by the onslaught of northern waters that has flooded the beleaguered city of Bangkok. Christians, Muslims, Jews, Buddhists and other ancient traditions have their own festival of lights.

Light as a metaphor for profound lucidity is universal, more so from those of us schooled in the European tradition of the enlightenment that is heir to the Greek vision of clarity, experienced by the ancients in the crystal waters and the pure lights of the Aegean Sea. The Age of Reason was a cultural movement of intellectuals in Europe that propelled the democratic revolution still transforming many societies worldwide.

We are long past the solemn observances of the festival's religious significance, though we go through the motions of observing its cultural forms. We will, however, take the aspect of clarity about things to commemorate *Diwali* this week, and we begin with old Thomas Paine of the American Revolution on landownership. He said, *Man did not make the earth, and, though he had a natural right to occupy it, he had no right to locate as his property in perpetuity any part of it; neither did the Creator of the earth open a land office, from whence the first title deeds should issue.*

Of course, we do not find credence in Paine's thought just because he said so, and/or he happens to be a revered figure in the American revolution of which, its 235-year political experiment, the US of A is still in the process of unraveling. We do so because we recognize something intuitively and profoundly truthful about his insight.

In the Northern Marianas, one of the hottest issues of discourse is the functionality of Article 12 of the Commonwealth Constitution that favors only those of Marianas descent to own land. The debate in the discussion has ranged in focus from the formula to quantify blood content to the constitutionality of the provision itself since it can only be justified as a temporary affirmative action rather than as a policy for perpetuity.

While some places in the world are moving toward a functional stewardship policy on landownership, proponents as well as detractors of Article 12 seem to both hold to the recent claim of absolute right to own land (a prerogative of previous monarchs), regardless of usage or universal value to the commonweal (the public good or welfare). Part of the contradiction on land usage in real estate development is the focus on speculative value versus actual residential housing and commercial needs, and the current collapse of worldwide financial structure is rooted in phantom assets related to real estate development and use.

A cursory glance at all the non-performing assets of buildings presently on Saipan is an indication of this malaise. Landownership as a "right" to an ethnic and/or racial group is discriminatory by federal law definition. It also underlies the other issue on who might lawfully reside in any particular real estate on the planet.

In 1968, struck by the image of the *Earthrise* of a photo from Apollo 8 of the Earth taken from the moon, I decided in my heart and mind that I was a citizen of the planet, and the absence of delineating lines separating states and nations on the "blue" has been the guiding light to my knowing, doing and being, ever since. Though holding a Philippine passport and qualified to immigrate to the U.S. then, my emotional and intellectual loyalty was less on my legal rights and definition, but more on my holistic sense of social obligation.

Occupancy of land anywhere in the planet has become a hot immigration issue in governance across the world. U.S. immigration laws emanated from the impulse to exclude. Add to that globalization's propensity to identify human beings simply as units of labor leaves a bitter aftertaste of many imported workers as exploited items of assets and expenditures, and in the long run, a listed and disdained liability on many ledgers, particularly those who only had "use" of their labors.

American law balances individual rights and social obligation. State rights and federal law often eyeball each other in the ambiguity of the choice. The "Chamolinian" tradition is one molded in the tradition of social well-being before it is an adherence to rights. "Human rights" globally defined and practiced involves the integrity of individual prerogatives in the context of communal inclusiveness. Watch the proceedings of the European Union as they manage to finesse their assets so as not to leave Greece in the cold. Or, negatively, witness how we ignored the legal judgment to pay common obligation to the Retirement Fund.

Chamolinians who do not bother to treat those they invited to labor by their side to do the dirty work that they themselves would not do might want to look deeper on the previous pathways that formulated their Micronesian souls and how the usage and residency on these islands got formulated by their ancestors when all were strangers to these parts. We might reflect on this for a month, until Nov. 27, maybe?

Those familiar and observant of *Diwali* might want to ask themselves: What lights your path these days? The *Earthrise* still glows on mine.

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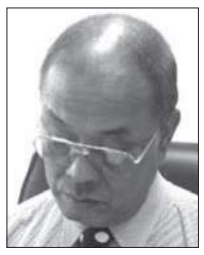

By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.
Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Dazed by persistent gloom, we mull the day of infamy when retirees lose their bimonthly pension, coupled by active employees who would have to endure the inevitable "brutal austerity," the net effect of further private sector contraction. The NMI is on the brink of economic disaster, if not, already. You quiz what else is up ahead as a financially decimated government claims its trophy of total bankruptcy. Indigenous grand *mañana* has done it and, yes, we did it to ourselves! Don't blame anybody else but the three pronouns you know best: Me, Myself and I.

More of our people are watching the NMI radar, trying to decide whether to relocate now or wait around for the final killer tsunami to meet their fate when it slams ashore. What a dilemma this must be for most working families. Is there any shred of hope anywhere in the near term?

It's unimaginable what to expect when the disastrous impact of a complete financial meltdown hits. While the Fund continues to bleed, it is rumored it is paying a legal eagle some $300,000 per year for part-time legal consultancy. Can the chairman of the board of trustees justify whether the darling of the Fund's legal team is worth $300,000 per year? Loud and clear, please?

Well, the parade of egregious hits against the family purse isn't our definition of a now failed promise that morphed into high utility surcharge, higher gasoline prices at the pumps, new spikes in basic food commodities, less help for seniors with health issues while salaries stay flat or reduced salaries, among others. Yes, gloom plus doom are the next issues on the dinner table for all to stare.

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Negative aspects of Article 12

For the sake of exploring via a joint review of the negative aspects of Article 12, let's break down what it says if only to get a clear understanding of what it would actually do to over 400 years of time-honored land tenure system in the NMI. They are:

1. Article 12 limits landownership to Chamorros and Carolinians. Fine. But did it really accomplish this or did it actually include non-Northern Marianas descent while simultaneously excluding full-blooded indigenous people by imposing an arbitrary date for qualification?

2. It included superficial support known as "fee simple prohibition" limiting the sale of land to NMDs only. What is the net effect of this limitation? Isn't it an illegal imposition—infringement and violation—of your natural rights to full disposition of your land? It's your natural right (different from a civil right) that is "unalienable." The term "unalienable" means that it "can't be infringed nor violated" by anybody, including constitutional provisions that are unconstitutional at best, an economic deterrent at worst. It's the same natural rights as our life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

3. It attempts to wipe out a time-honored land tenure system of individual ownership and placed land in limbo under it for arbitrary government acquisition. The local government could easily confiscate a good portion of your land and place it under a land banking system not for a public purpose, but for future homestead use.

4. If the intent is to limit landownership to ethnicity (Chamorros and Carolinians), then why did it include a provision on adoption of non-NMDs less than 18 years old that automatically qualify them to full landownership? Do you see the inconsistency in this provision? This is saddled with an accompanying anomaly on blood quantum. It fails to embrace our very own while it slams open the door for adopted non-NMDs and displaces our children from both landownership and their rich cultural heritage.

5. It violates the rights of U.S. citizens to own property, therefore a discriminatory provision that severs the natural rights of U.S. citizens who hail from other U.S. soil. It seems ready to declare that a racially divided NMI is acceptable and that such bigotry should be embraced under the Stars and Stripes forever. No sir! Such statist or racist view must be ruled out!

I respectfully support total repeal of Article 12. It does nothing but compromise natural rights to full ownership of my land, fails to accommodate our very own under a warped political definition of NMDs, becomes the very tool for displacing our young people in both landownership and their rich cultural heritage; while it plants the seed of racial bias in a community known for its Christian values.

Land is the foundation of livelihood in any community. It is a property upon which the family foundation is built. It is through the family unit that a community or society is born. Let's muster the moral obligation with all our might and join hands with them and focus on something more vital to lift everybody's boat in a fatally sinking economy.

I am not prepared to hide behind bigotry for I am a firm believer that our people are equipped with the intellect, discipline, the capacity for achievement and political maturity. We can make humongous strides forward through education, economic strength, and performance that command respect. Promoting racial bias through an unconstitutional provision is far removed from the need to begin sowing the seeds of civil society founded on the first principles of our country.

Our forefathers have persevered through centuries and we too must emulate their sturdy acceptance of positive changes that have become the tradition in these isles. In brief, our ancestors accepted the Spanish disposition to grant land to the lowest caste of Chamorros (Manachañg) that gradually fostered the harmony found in a system of justice and equality.

In the end, their sacrifice granted us the opportunity today to stand shoulder to shoulder with everyone as equals. Let's outgrow our suspect inhibitions Let's do it. The tide waits for no man. We all deserve better days ahead. *Si Yuus Maase'! Si* JR.

The brain spider

By ED STEPHENS
Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Saipan is a linguistic crossroads, and a student of English asked me to list some words that sound the same but which have different spellings and meanings. That's a big deal, given that most of us probably write from phonetic memory. This steers us into the maw of computerized word-checking where we get green flags for the wrong word. Yes indeed, "Spell Czech is grate!"

English is full of these sneaky words. In fact, as I just discovered, it's so full of these words that there's not enough space in this column to list them. Yikes!

Indeed, once I unleashed the language spider on a random crawl through my brain, the sneaky words just kept on popping up. The project hijacked my entire day. So I beamed the brain spider into my editor's brain, too; it's my way of sticking it to the Man.

The list, as it stands now, is 131 words. It will surely creep up over the next few days as the brain spiders keep crawling, and they'll do that, whether we want them to or not.

I'll print the first part of the list today. Then I'll either publish the second half in this space next week or maybe I'll just put it on my website. I haven't decided yet.

Incidentally, I'm excluding proper nouns (e.g. Maine, Gayle, etc.). And this is just a mental exercise; recourse to a dictionary or reference would probably uncover thousands of these sneaky words, but that would take the fun out of it. This is brain-spider turf, not an exhaustive list.

So here we go:

1).Here, hear
2).Their, there
3). Plane, plain; I've flown some plain planes.
4). Two, too, to; the infamous sneaky triple
5). Hare, hair; "harebrained"
6). Great, grate
7). Do, dew, due
8). Write, right, rite; "rite of passage"
9). Role, roll
10). Male, mail
11). Mall, maul
12). Your, you're; simple but often messed up
13). Bore, boar. Also: bored, board.
14). Hi, high
15). Piece, peace
16). Tail, tale
17). Aye, I, eye
18). Son, sun
19). Pee, pea; a distinction that fueled many a joke in second grade.
20). So, sew
21). Bare, bear; third grade for these jokes.
22). Night, knight
23). In, inn
24). Wood, would
25). Hey, hay; "hey" isn't much of a word so maybe this shouldn't count.
26). Where, ware, wear; "warehouse"
27). Pare, pair, pear
28). See, sea
29). Nose, knows
30). Pail, pale
31). Blue, blew
32). Dear, deer
33). Fourth, forth; these two are easy to mix up.
34). Main, mane
35). Rode, road; these seem to go together nicely.
36). Lode, load; the "Mother Lode" started the gold rush.
37). Wry, rye
38). Vise, vice
39). Know, no
40). Pain, pane
41). Whole, hole
42). Moat, mote
43). Might, mite
44). Four, fore, for
45). Sine, sign; can you "cosine" for a loan?
46). Wine, whine
47). Bee, be
48). Lead, led
49). Red, read
50). Wet, whet; "whet the appetite"
51). Toe, tow; "toe the line"
52). Not, knot
53). Need, knead, kneed
54). Doe, dough
55). Days, daze
56). Die, dye
57). Witch, which
58). Principal, principle; this one is tricky.
59). Capitol, capital; one squanders the other!
60). Damn, dam
61). Flea, flee
62). Gait, gate
63). Tare, tear
64). Wait, weight
65). Site, sight, cite; a very insidious triple-sneak.

That will do it for today. By now the spider has been implanted in your brain, too; it's my way of sticking it to the Reader.

Letters to the Editor

Look who's talking?

This letter is in connection with the article published in this newspaper on Oct. 27, 2011, titled "Stop giving foreign workers false hope."

I find that the statements made by attorney Loida Nicolas-Lewis are very much the same as the information given by USCIS, attorneys Maya Kara and Jane Mack, and others on how nonresident workers can remain legal here in CNMI. Because of attorney Lewis' statement, the CNMI administration is now reacting but I refuse to believe that this administration has concerns whether all nonresident workers are hallucinating to the max or not regarding false hopes.

As a nonresident worker here in CNMI for 16 years who religiously pays taxes, who never availed of food stamps benefits and Medicare, nor received any child tax credit for my 11-year-old U.S. citizen child, let me state my concerns and hopes for the CNMI:

- I am concerned that the CNMI voters will continue to vote blindly for the wrong people in their hopes that the promises made during the campaign will become a reality.
- I am concerned that those people who voted for "Let It Be" team still believe that the CNMI should stay the way "it is because this is how it should be."
- I am concerned about what happened to my and other people's belief and hope that the peanut butter factory and the shoe factory and other investors will come in to revive the ailing CNMI economy.
- I am concerned that if this system of government would continue, the youth of today would eventually decide to *leave* our beloved CNMI and be ashamed of where they came from.
- It is my great hope that employers will not abuse the CW regulations and that USCIS will not tolerate employers petitioning their workers for CW visa only when these workers are qualified for and therefore should be petitioned for H visa, especially those who are working in government agencies like CHC.

While I am hoping for the U.S. Congress to pass a bill for a better immigration status for all deserving legal, competent, and competitive nonresident workers, I too had once believed and had hoped that somehow the CNMI governor would have even a 0.01 percent ounce of compassion and sympathy for long-term guest workers. False hope isn't it?

I am proud to say that I rallied several times for federalization. I asked for it and I got it! Because it is my hope and belief that the CNMI would be a better place, for the community and most importantly for our children, who have known no other place but the CNMI as their home. NO REGRETS!

No need to look far to see people giving and having false hope, they are right there in your own backyard.

Malou H. Berueco
Airport Road, Saipan

Uninformed and ignorant

Press secretary Angel Demapan seems uninformed that what I said during the radio interview was not an opinion but was a provision of the Constitution of the United States: "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law."

Each of the workers affected by the Nov 27, 2011, deadline has the right to due process of law—a right to have his/her day in court. In this case, the Immigration Court. It is not my opinion; "due process of law" is the bedrock of democracy in this great nation.

Unless, of course, Mr. Demapan believes the CNMI is not part of the United States of America.

By the way, I have not represented a single client but the U.S. government since 1978 when I became a general attorney of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. To jump to a hasty conclusion that I was seeking clients during my radio interview is the most ignorant argument I have ever heard.

Loida Nicolas-Lewis
Chair, US Pinoys for Good Governance

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The Weather

5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Mostly cloudy with isolated showers and thunderstorms. Northeast winds around 10 mph.	Partly sunny with isolated showers. East winds near 10 mph.	Mostly cloudy with isolated showers.	Mostly cloudy with isolated showers.	Partly cloudy with isolated showers.
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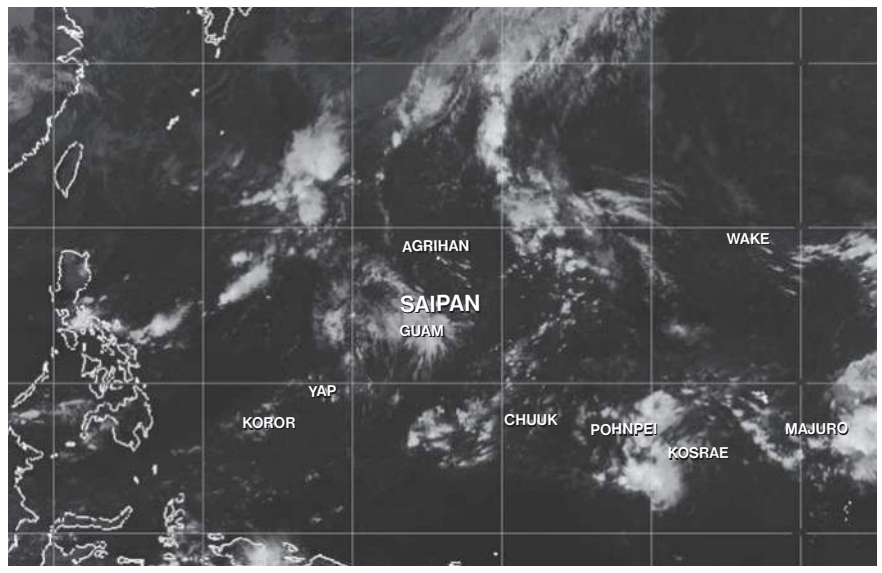
Micronesia

Guam and Rota	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼78
Palau	Thunderstorms	▲87	▼78
Yap	Thunderstorms	▲87	▼77
Chuuk	Showers	▲83	▼76
Pohnpei	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼73
Kosrae	Thunderstorms	▲85	▼77
Majuro	Thunderstorms	▲83	▼78

Around The Globe

Auckland	Showers	▲66	▼58
Beijing	Mostly Sunny	▲65	▼39
Hong Kong	Partly Cloudy	▲83	▼73
Honolulu	Partly Cloudy	▲86	▼74
London	Partly Cloudy	▲59	▼53
Los Angeles	Sunny	▲74	▼50
Manila	Mostly Sunny	▲88	▼80
Melbourne	Mostly Sunny	▲88	▼80
Miami	Thundershowers	▲83	▼75
New York	Rain	▲55	▼37
Osaka	Sunny	▲73	▼57
Paris	Showers	▲64	▼48
Pusan	Mostly Sunny	▲70	▼59
Rome	Mostly Sunny	▲76	▼52
Salem	Mostly Sunny	▲59	▼44
San Francisco	Sunny	▲72	▼52
Seoul	Partly Cloudy	▲64	▼50
Tokyo	Sunny	▲67	▼55
Washington, DC	Showers	▲64	▼42

Yesterday's Satellite Image



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Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

A surface trough across the northwest corner of the discussion area extends from 15N130E to 20N136E to beyond 25N138E. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are within 100 miles of the trough. An upper low near 20N147E is triggering widely scattered showers and a few thunderstorms southwest Minami Tori Shima within 150 miles of a line from 18N154E to 25N150E. A second surface trough just west of Guam runs from 10N142E to 16N145E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms across the Marianas are between 12N and 16N from 140E to 147E. A third surface trough between Pohnpei and Kosrae runs from 4N157E to 7N164E. Scattered showers and a few thunderstorms are between 3N and 9N from 158E to 162E. A tropical disturbance over the eastern Marshall Islands is centered near 8N174E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are east of a line from 4N173E to 10N172E to 18N175E.

Tides

Saipan Harbor

2:14 AM	Today	Low Tide:	0.6 Feet
9:00 AM	Today	High Tide:	2.1 Feet
2:38 PM	Today	Low Tide:	1.0 Feet
7:46 PM	Today	High Tide:	2.1 Feet

Sunrise/Sunset

Today	6:12 AM	5:50 PM
Saturday	6:12 AM	5:49 PM
Sunday	6:12 AM	5:49 PM
Monday	6:13 AM	5:49 PM
Tuesday	6:13 AM	5:48 PM

Moonrise/Moonset

Today	7:21 AM	7:02 PM
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Sunday	9:28 AM	9:03 PM
Monday	10:26 AM	10:03 PM
Tuesday	11:18 AM	11:00 PM

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C05062	2:20am	2:50am	1, 5
SAIPAN (SPN)-ROTA (ROP)			
C05064	4:25am	5:00am	1, 5
SAIPAN-GUAM (GUM)			
C05070	4:25am	5:15am	2, 3, 4, 6, 7
C05064	4:25am	6:00am	1, 5 via ROP
5K384	7:20am	8:10am	2, 6
C05068	7:55am	8:45am	3, 6
C05068	8:30am	9:20am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05074	12:10pm	1:00pm	1, 4, 5, 7
C05076	3:05pm	3:55pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
5K386	5:50pm	6:40pm	3, 4, 7
C05078	6:35pm	7:25pm	Daily
5K382	9:20pm	10:10pm	1, 5
C05072	9:35pm	10:25pm	Daily
SAIPAN-NAGOYA (NGO)			
5K212	8:20am	10:55am	4, 7
SAIPAN-NARITA (NRT)			
DL287	6:05am	8:45am	Daily
DL297	4:35pm	7:15pm	Daily
SAIPAN-SEOUL (ICN)			
OZ606	2:20am	6:00am	1
OZ606	2:50am	6:30am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
OZ604	3:30pm	7:00pm	2, 4, 6, 7
SAIPAN-GUANZHOU (CAN)			
3U8646	4:20am	7:30am	2, 6
SAIPAN-SHANGHAI (PVG)			
3U8648	6:05am	8:30am	1, 5
SAIPAN-MANILA (MNL)			
OZ606/701	2:20am	11:15am	1 via ICN
OZ606/701	2:50am	11:15am	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 via ICN
C05070/191	4:25am	9:45am	3, 6 via GUM
DL287/173	6:05am	10:10pm	Daily via NRT
C05068/183	7:55am	8:40pm	3, 6 via GUM
C05076/183	3:05pm	8:40pm	1, 2, 4, 5, 7 via GUM
C05076/193	3:05pm	10:10pm	2, 5 via GUM-Palau
C05072/PR111	9:30pm	7:50am	1, 3, 5, 6, 7 via GUM
SAIPAN-HONG KONG (HKG)			
OZ606/721	2:20am	11:50am	1 via ICN
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5K168	8:15am	11:25pm	1, 5
C05076/179	3:05pm	9:25pm	1, 5 via GUM

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C05071	6:35am	7:25am	3, 6
C05071	7:00am	7:50am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05073	10:05am	10:55am	1, 2, 4, 5, 7
C05075	1:40pm	2:30pm	1, 4, 5, 7
C05077	5:10pm	6:00pm	Daily
5K383	6:30pm	7:20pm	2, 6
C05079	8:10pm	9:00pm	Daily
NAGOYA (NGO)-SAIPAN			
5K213	11:55am	4:25pm	4, 7
NARITA (NRT)-SAIPAN			
DL298	10:25am	3:00pm	Daily
DL288	8:05pm	12:35am+1	Daily
SEOUL (ICN)-SAIPAN			
OZ603	9:00am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7
OZ605	7:40pm	1:10am+1	7
OZ605	8:10pm	1:40am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
GUANZHOU (CAN)-SAIPAN			
3U8645	7:40pm	3:00am+1	1, 5
SHANGHAI (PVG)-SAIPAN			
3U8647	10:40pm	5:00am+1	4, 7
MANILA (MNL)-SAIPAN			
OZ704/603	12:10am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN
DL172/288	7:55am	12:35am+1	Daily via NRT
C0190/5079	10:55am	9:00pm	3, 6 via GUM
OZ702/605	12:35pm	1:10am+1	7 via ICN
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C0192/5071	9:55pm	7:50am+1	2, 5 via GUM-Palau
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HONG KONG (HKG)-SAIPAN			
OZ724/603	12:30am	2:30pm	2, 4, 6, 7 via ICN
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OZ722/605	1:10pm	1:40am+1	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 via ICN
C0180/5071	10:30pm	7:50am+1	1, 5 via GUM

LEGEND: Days: Monday (1), Tuesday (2), Wednesday (3), Thursday (4), Friday (5), Saturday (6) and Sunday (7); 5K: FlyGuam; 3U: Sichuan Airlines; CZ: China Southern; CO: Continental; DL: Delta Airlines; OZ: Asiana

ETD: Estimated Time of Departure; ETA: Estimated Time of Arrival. The *Saipan Tribune* is not responsible for any changes in the schedule.)

FREEDOM AIR FLIGHT SCHEDULE

Airline	ETD	ETA	Frequency
Guam–Rota			
FRE 100	7:30	8:00	Daily
Rota–Saipan			
FRE 100	8:20	8:50	Daily
Guam–Rota			
FRE 300	17:00	17:30	Daily
Rota–Saipan	17:50	18:20	Daily
Saipan–Rota			
FRE 200	9:30	10:00	Daily
Rota–Guam	10:20	10:45	Daily
Saipan–Rota			
FRE 400	18:55	19:25	Daily
Rota–Guam			
FRE 400	19:40	20:10	Daily
Saipan–Tinian			
FRE 101	6:45	6:55	Daily
FRE 103	7:30	7:40	Daily
FRE 105	8:00	8:10	Daily
FRE 107	8:40	8:50	Daily
FRE 109	9:10	9:20	Daily
FRE 111	10:45	10:55	Daily

Airline	ETD	ETA	Frequency
FRE 115	13:00	13:10	Daily
FRE 117	14:30	14:40	Daily
FRE 119	16:00	16:10	Daily
FRE 121	16:40	16:50	Daily
FRE 123	17:40	17:50	Daily
FRE 125	18:30	18:40	Daily
Tinian–Saipan			
FRE 102	7:05	7:15	Daily
FRE 104	7:50	8:00	Daily
FRE 106	8:20	8:30	Daily
FRE 108	9:00	9:10	Daily
FRE 110	10:00	10:10	Daily
FRE 112	11:05	11:15	Daily
FRE 114	12:00	12:10	Daily
FRE 116	13:30	13:40	Daily
FRE 118	14:50	15:00	Daily
FRE 120	16:20	16:30	Daily
FRE 122	17:00	17:10	Daily
FRE 124	18:05	18:15	Daily
FRE 126	18:50	19:00	Daily

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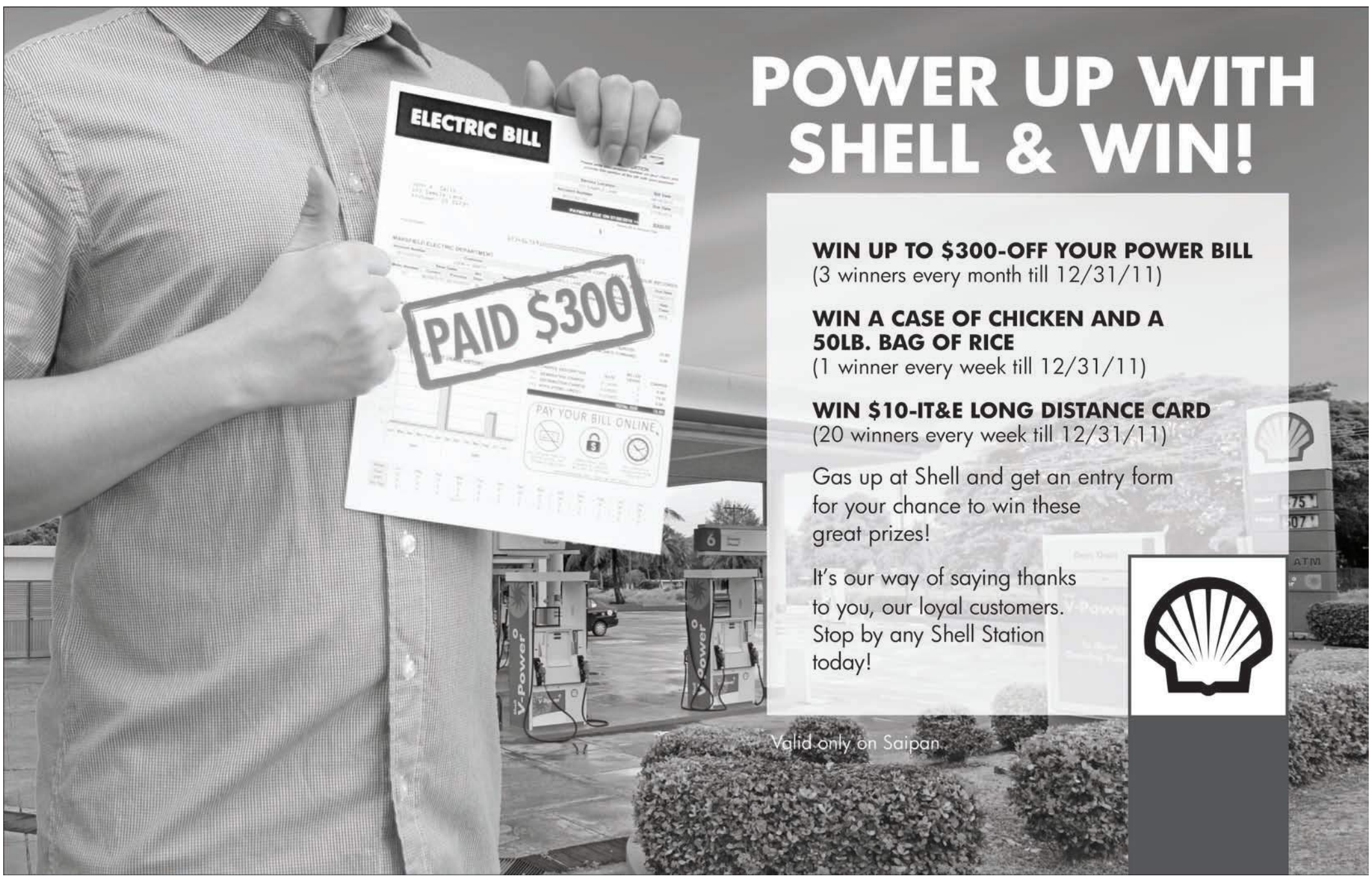

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Fitial, Calvo pitch tourism opportunities in China meetings

During his trip to Beijing last week to attend the second U.S.-China Governors Forum, Gov. Benigno R. Fitial seized the opportunity to collaboratively work with Guam Gov. Eddie Calvo in an effort to establish and promote greater ties between their two governments.

Following the conclusion of the Governors Forum, Fitial and Calvo also met with Zhu Shanzhong, deputy director of the National Tourism Administration and deputy secretary general Sha Hailin of the Shanghai Municipal Government.

Fitial, joined by Calvo and members of the Guam delegation, had the opportunity to meet with Li Xiaohua, vice president of the China Association for International Friendly Contact, at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse last Thursday. Li was accompanied by Deng Wenqing, the deputy secretary general of CAIFC.

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

From left, CNMI Gov. Benigno R. Fitial; Li Xiaohua, vice president of the China Association for International Friendly Contact; and Guam Gov. Eddie B. Calvo pose for a photo following their meeting at the Diaoyutai State Guesthouse in Beijing, China last week.

During their meeting with Li, the island governors expressed the challenges currently besetting the two island jurisdictions of the CNMI and Guam. Fitial and Calvo shared their appreciation for the support and presence of Chinese businesses and visitors in the Marianas.

For his part, Fitial spoke of the Commonwealth's history and the contributions of Chinese businesses, especially during the period when apparel manufacturing was a thriving industry. He also noted that although those days no longer exist, the CNMI is still able to open its doors to Chinese visitors through the parole authority granted by the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

In response to the Chinese officials' remarks that they have heard positive feedback from Chinese tourists about their reception and their stay in the islands, Fitial said, "I am pleased to see that Chinese tourists still have an interest in visiting the CNMI. We will continue to welcome all our friends from China with open arms and we will continue to work hard to ensure that the safety of our visitors remains our priority."

"While the CNMI enjoys the benefits of Secretary Napolitano's parole authority, we remain committed to seeking the proper implementation of the visa waiver program for visitors coming from China and Russia," said Fitial. "The visa waiver program is prescribed in U.S. Public Law 110-229, so we will continue our efforts to ensure that this provision is complied with at the soonest possible time."

The Chinese officials expressed their appreciation to Fitial and Calvo for their efforts to work collaboratively for the good of the people of the CNMI and Guam. The Chinese leaders pledged to work closely with both governors in support of their mission to boost visitor arrivals from China.

Both Fitial and Calvo also conveyed their appreciation to CAIFC, NTA, and the Shanghai municipal government for their receptiveness and willingness to assist the CNMI and Guam achieve greater economic success.

"Our people have endured the hardship of a challenging economy for far too long. This is why I have undertaken the initiative to reach across international borders in search of the relief our people long for," said Fitial. "I have placed a significantly high priority on achieving economic recovery and creating job opportunities for our people."

Fitial also lauded Calvo for fostering a collaborative spirit to jointly promote the CNMI and Guam as a regional market for tourism and other meaningful investments.

"As a unique chain of islands in the Marianas, the CNMI and Guam have such a unique marketability advantage. Although separated as two government jurisdictions, our islands all share the same warm island hospitality and spirit," added Fitial. "Thus, the ability to work together with Gov. Calvo for the betterment of our communities is surely a win-win for all." ***(Office of the Governor)***

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Japanese Christian school visits GCA for 5th cultural exchange

By CLARISSA V. DAVID
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REPORTER

CLARISSA V. DAVID

Some of the students of Yokosuka Gakuin High School from Japan pose with students of Grace Christian Academy after participating in a newspaper dance yesterday. A total of 80 students, accompanied by four teachers and one tour coordinator, arrived on Saipan on Tuesday to participate in a four-day cultural exchange program.

Eighty students from Yokosuka Gakuin High School, a Christian private school in Kanagawa Prefecture in Japan, arrived on island for a cultural exchange program with students of Grace Christian Academy.

The visiting students, accompanied by four teachers and a tour coordinator from JTB Yokosuka Office, arrived on Saipan on Tuesday to promote camaraderie between the two schools and as part of the efforts of Yokosuka Gakuin High School to enhance English communication among its students.

Tour coordinator Masato Katakura said the group, composed of students 16 to 17 years old, did various marine activities during their stay on island, including parasailing, diving, banana boat rides, and snorkeling on Mañagaha Island.

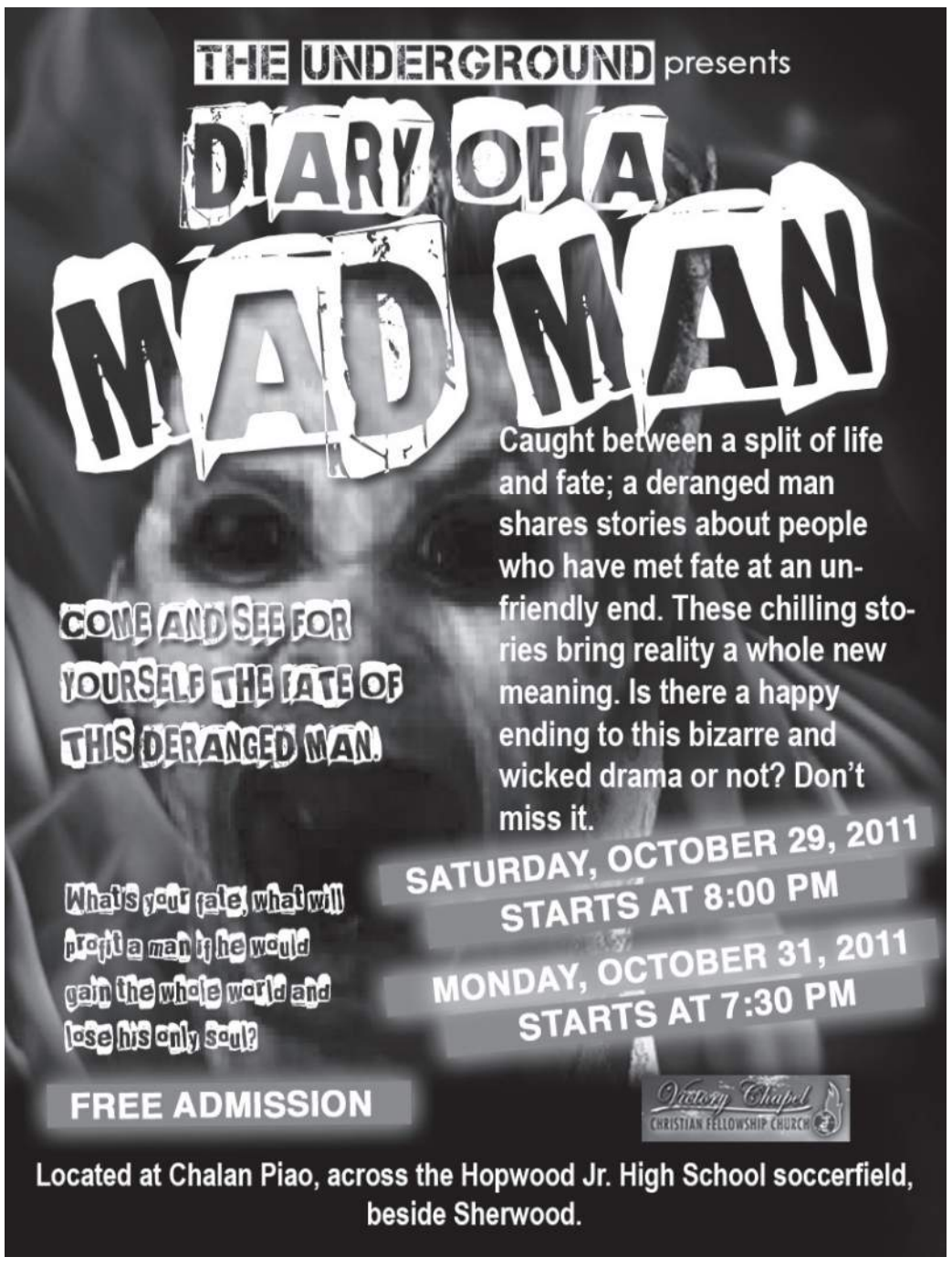
Japanese language and art teacher Keisuke Koide said this is the fifth year of the cultural exchange program for the two Christian schools. "It's a good chance for Japanese students to communicate in English," he added.

The visitors went to Grace Christian Academy on Navy Hill yesterday for the highlight of their visit, which is to bond with local students in numerous activities such as indoor games, basketball, volleyball, and a cooking activity.

GCA principal Marsha Owens said the students also sat in English, Math, and other classes.

"It's a great experience for our students. They not only learn about the students in Japan but they also are able to show them a little bit about our school and our island and it's just a good time of friendship and fellowship," Owens told *Saipan Tribune*.

The group is scheduled to fly back to Japan today.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Students from the Northern Marianas College's Introduction to the Travel and Tourism Industry course recently visit the NMI Museum of History and Culture on a class field trip. Museum executive director Robert Hunter, second from right, led the students on a tour of the exhibits and shared interesting facts about the CNMI's history. According to NMC business instructor Larry Lee, rightmost, "this type of hands-on experience really broadens our students' perspectives, especially as they learned so much about our unique cultures and how they were influenced by the various colonization periods, and about one of our exciting local tourist attractions. NMC

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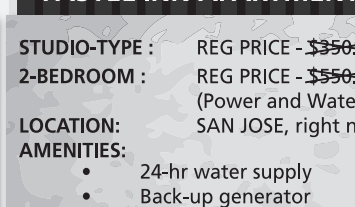
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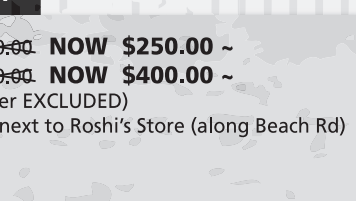
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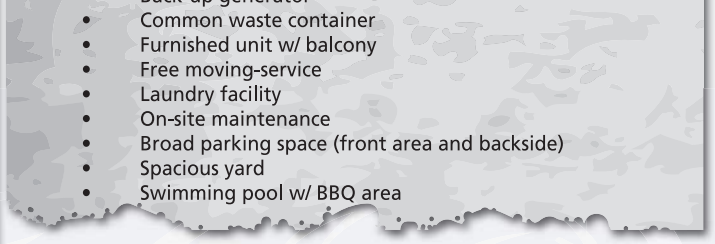
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

INC hosts Neighborhood Appreciation Day

The Iglesia Ni Cristo (Church of Christ) will be hosting a Neighborhood Appreciation Day this Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011, from 3pm to 8pm. Meet and greet your neighbors. Get free health checkups, family photos (you take home the pictures that same day), coloring for kids, food, and live entertainment. Take a tour of the house of worship in your neighborhood. ***(PR)***

CNMI-OSHA moves to new site

The CNMI-OSHA On-site Consultation Program has moved to a new office. The new address and contact numbers are:

Government Building No. 1338
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Retirees on *Marianas Agupa*

Tomorrow, Oct. 29, 2011, Marianas Agupa will feature retiree members of the NMI Retirement Fund to talk about issues surrounding retirees' benefits and the outlook of their quest against the Fund's past consultants and managers between 10am and 10:30am. The show is from 9am to 11am on Magic 100.3 FM.

The Chamorro radio talk show program is hosted by Glenn H. Manglona with reports by former mayor Joseph S. Inos, a report from Rota by Thomas D. Mendiola, a special segment called Hafa Mohon with Juanita Mendiola, and a report from Tinian by David M. Cing. Simultaneous Internet streaming via www.magic100radio.com will be available. ***(PR)***

Learn how to make *koronas* from *pandanus*

The Inetnon Amot yan Kutturan Natibu/Mwiischil Safey me Kkoor Aramasal Faluw is offering free lessons to Chamorros and Carolinians on making *koronan matai* for All Souls Day at the Saipan Chamorro-Carolinian Village Cultural Centers Headquarters (1213 Capitol Hill Road, across from the Workforce Investment Agency and next to the CNMI Board of Parole Office) on Saturday, Oct. 29, 2011. The lessons will be from 9:30am to 12pm. The materials to be used are coconut and pandanus leaves. Ready-made *koronas* will also be on sale during this time.

These lessons are offered by the Association of Native Medicine and Culture, in partnership with the Indigenous Affairs Office and funded in part by the Administration for Native Americans. For more information, call 322-0278. ***(PR)***

NMI Labor to host job fair

The CNMI Department of Labor, in partnership with the business sector, will be sponsoring a job fair this Nov. 2, 2011, Wednesday, at the Multi-Purpose Center in Susupe. All U.S. citizens, CNMI permanent residents, U.S. permanent residents, and all others who are interested are invited to apply directly to companies for jobs in which they are qualified, available, and are interested to fill. For more information, contact Labor at 664-3190 and ask for Radbert Solomon, Dolores Saures, or Roy Tarope for assistance. ***(PR)***

Video of parole-in-place workshop

For those who are interested but who missed the Micronesian Legal Services Corp. workshop on parole-in-place for immediate relatives of U.S. citizens, MLSC has uploaded a video of the entire presentation on its Day in Court blog at http://mlsc-marianas.blogspot.com. Interested individuals may also pick up the information folder at the MLSC Marianas office in Civic Center during regular work hours. ***(PR)***

DoD public access plan deadline nears

Guam and CNMI residents have until Monday, Oct. 31, to submit public comments about the Department of Defense Public Access Plan. The Public Access Plan is associated with the Marine Corps realignment. The plan is intended to facilitate visits to cultural and historic sites of interest and significance located on DoD properties in Guam and the CNMI. Interested members of the public may download comment forms at the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific Cultural Resources Information website: http://bit.ly/NAVFAC-GuamPA, or at the Guam SHPO website: http://www.historicguam.org. ***(PR)***

BOG's photo contest deadline today

The deadline to submit entries to the Bank of Guam Photography Contest is today, Oct. 28, 2011. The contest is open to all high school students through Guam, the CNMI, Palau, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Marshall Islands. Photo must be taken throughout Guam, the CNMI, Palau, FSM or RMI and certified by the student(s). Each student is limited to two photos each. Entry forms are available at all high schools, Bank of Guam branches and its website www.bankofguam.com. The contest theme is Our Island, Our Home. Entries should be a minimum 4X6 print in color or black and white. For digital photos, copy to a CD and include a printed copy of the photo. For more information, contact Maria Cooper-Nurse at (671) 472-5231, email at maria.cooper-nurse@bankofguam.com or fax at (671) 477-6796. ***(BOG)***

Business

Madoff's wife: We tried suicide after Ponzi arrest

NEW YORK (AP)—The wife of disgraced Wall Street financier Bernard Madoff says the couple tried to kill themselves after he admitted to his loved ones that he'd stolen billions of dollars in the largest Ponzi scheme in history.

Madoff

Ruth Madoff, who'll appear on Sunday's episode of CBS' "60 Minutes" in her first interview since her husband's December 2008 arrest, says they had been receiving hate mail and "terrible phone calls" and were distraught.

"I don't know whose idea it was, but we decided to kill ourselves because it was so horrendous what was happening," she says in the interview, according to excerpts released by CBS.

She says it was Christmas Eve, which added to their depression, and she decided: "I just can't go on anymore."

She says the couple took "a bunch of pills" including the insomnia prescription medication Ambien, but they both woke up the next day. She says the decision was "very impulsive" and she's glad they didn't die.

The couple's son Andrew Madoff also will talk about his experience.

Another son, Mark Madoff, hanged himself by a dog leash last year on the anniversary of his father's arrest. Like his parents, he had swallowed a batch of sleeping pills in a failed suicide attempt 14 months earlier, according to his widow's new book, "The End of Normal: A Wife's Anguish, A Widow's New Life."

Study: Rich get a lot richer, outpace middle class

WASHINGTON (AP)—The richest 1 percent of Americans have been getting far richer over the last three decades while the middle class and poor have seen their after-tax household income only crawl up in comparison, according to a government study.

After-tax income for the top 1 percent of U.S. households almost tripled, up 275 percent, from 1979 to 2007, the Congressional Budget Office found. For people in the middle of the economic scale, after-tax income grew by just 40 percent. Those at the bottom experienced an 18 percent increase.

The report, based on IRS and Census Bureau data, comes as the Occupy Wall Street movement protests corporate bailouts and the gap between the haves and have-nots. Demonstrators call themselves "the 99 percent."

"The distribution of after-tax income in the United States was substantially more unequal in 2007 than in 1979," CBO Director Doug Elmendorf said in a blog post. "The share of income accruing to higher-income households increased, whereas the share accruing to other households declined."

Obama announces help for student loan borrowers

DENVER (AP)—President Barack Obama recalled his struggles with student loan debt as he unveiled a plan Wednesday that could give millions of young people some relief on their payments. Speaking at the University of Colorado Denver, Obama said that he and his wife, Michelle, together owed more than $120,000 in law school debt that took nearly a decade to pay off. He said that sometimes he'd have to make monthly payments to multiple lenders, and the debt meant they were not only paying for their own degrees but saving for their daughters' college funds simultaneously.

"I've been in your shoes. We did not come from a wealthy family," Obama said to cheers.

Obama

Obama said it's never been more important to get a college education, but it's also never been more expensive. Obama said his plan will help not just individuals, but the nation, because graduates will have more money to spend on things like buying homes.

"Our economy needs it right now and your future could use a boost right now," Obama said.

Obama's plan will accelerate a measure passed by Congress that reduces the maximum required payment on student loans from 15 percent of discretionary income annually to 10 percent. He will put it into effect in 2012, instead of 2014. In addition, the White House says the remaining debt would be forgiven after 20 years, instead of 25. About 1.6 million borrowers could be affected.

He will also allow borrowers who have a loan from the Federal Family Education Loan Program and a direct loan from the government to consolidate them into one. The consolidated loan would carry an interest rate of up to a half percentage point less than before. This could affect 5.8 million borrowers.

Student loans are the No. 2 source of household debt. The president's announcement came on the same day as a new report on tuition costs from the College Board. It showed that average in-state tuition and fees at four-year public colleges rose $631 this fall, or 8.3 percent, compared with a year ago. Nationally, the cost of a full credit load has passed $8,000, an all-time high.

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

NMC BID#: IFB 12-NMC-001

MAINTENANCE MANPOWER SERVICES

Northern Marianas College is soliciting competitive sealed bids for the procurement of Maintenance Manpower Services for the As Terlaje Campus.

Specifications and Scope of Work packages may be picked up at the **NMC Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, commencing Wednesday (Oct 19th, 2011) between the hours of 8: 30-11:30 a.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

Bid Packages are due no later than 4:00 p.m., November 03, 2011, at Northern Marianas College, As Terlaje Campus, Procurement Office, Bldg. L, 2nd Floor, Saipan, MP 96950. In accordance with Public Laws 15-95 and as further amended by Public Law 15-118, Local Preference is available to local businesses for this procurement.

For Bidders located outside of the CNMI: you may request a copy of the IFB via fax (670) 235-7601 or email to Anita Camacho (anitac@nmcnet.edu).

This solicitation does not constitute an offer and does not obligate the College in any way. The NMC reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids for any reason and waive any defect in said bids, or cancel in part or its entirety this IFB, if it deems, in its sole discretion, it is in the best interest of the College.

All costs incurred by the proposer to prepare a response to this solicitation and subsequent inquiries shall be borne by the proposer. All submittals shall become the property of NMC.

Approved by the following:

/s/ Anita Camacho
NMC Procurement Manager

/s/ John D. Guerrero
Administrative Services

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Nation

Longevity's secrets sought in DNA of 100-year-olds

NEW YORK (AP)—George Eberhardt turned 107 last month, and scientists would love to know how he and other older folks like him made it that far. So he's going to hand over some of his DNA. He's one of 100 centenarians taking part in a project announced Wednesday that will examine some of the oldest citizens with one of the newest scientific tools: whole-genome sequencing, the deciphering of a person's complete collection of DNA.

Scientists think DNA from very old healthy people could offer clues to how they lived so long. And that could one day lead to medicines to help the rest of us stay disease-free longer.

By the time you reach, say, 105, "it's very hard to get there without some genetic advantages," says Dr. Thomas Perls, a geriatrics expert at Boston University.

Perls is helping find centenarians for the Archon Genomics X Prize competition. The X Prize Foundation, best known for a spaceflight competition, is offering $10 million in prize money to researchers who decipher the complete DNA code from 100 people older than 100. The contest will be judged on accuracy, completeness and the speed and cost of sequencing.

The contest is a relaunch of an older competition with a new focus on centenarians, and it's the second sequencing project involving the elderly to be announced this month.

Genome pioneer J. Craig Venter says the centenarian project is just a first step in revealing the genetic secrets of a long and healthy life.

"We need 10,000 genomes, not 100, to start to understand the link between genetics, disease and wellness," said Venter, who is co-chairing the X Prize contest.

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In this Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011 photo, George Eberhardt, 107, of Chester, NJ. is given his annual flu shot by nurse Bettie Donnelly in Mendham, N.J.

Feds not helping Alabama enforce immigration law

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government hasn't offered to help Alabama put in place a strict immigration law that the Obama administration is challenging in court, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said Wednesday.

The administration has sued to block the law, which is considered the toughest state immigration measure in the country.

"We have been working with the Department of Justice in its challenge to that law," Napolitano told the House Judiciary Committee.

A federal appeals court in Atlanta this month temporarily blocked a part of the law that required public schools to check the immigration status of students. But the court did not bar law enforcement officials from detaining people suspected of being in the country illegally.

A final ruling in the case is not expected for several months.

Alabama Republicans have argued that the law, passed this year by the Republican-controlled Legislature and signed by Gov. Robert Bentley, was necessary to protect the jobs of legal residents.

Alabama House Speaker Mike Hubbard, R-Auburn, said he's not surprised by Napolitano's comments.

"I suppose we shouldn't be surprised that the federal government won't help us enforce our laws considering it hasn't been enforcing its own law for years. That's why we're in this mess to begin with. In Alabama, we're trying to turn off the magnet drawing illegal aliens across the border. The Obama Administration is trying to make the magnet stronger," said Hubbard.

Oakland police action unnerves some anti-Wall Street protesters

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—The display of police force in Oakland, Calif., and Atlanta has unnerved some anti-Wall Street protesters.

While demonstrators in other cities have built a working relationship with police and city leaders, they wondered on Wednesday how long the good spirit would last and whether they could be next.

Will they have to face riot gear-clad officers and tear gas that their counterparts in Oakland, Calif. faced on Tuesday? Or will they be handcuffed and hauled away in the middle of the night like protesters in Atlanta?

"Yes, we're afraid. Is this the night they're going to sneak in?" said activist William Buster of Occupy Wall Street, where the movement began last month to protest what they see as corporate greed.

"Is this the night they might use unreasonable force?" he asked.

The message, meanwhile, from officials in cities where other encampments have sprung up was simple: We'll keep working with you. Just respect your neighbors and keep the camps clean and safe.

Business owners and residents have complained in recent weeks about assaults, drunken fights and sanitation problems. Officials are trying to balance their rights and uphold the law while honoring protesters' free speech rights.

"I understand the frustration the protesters feel ... about inequity in our country as well as Wall Street greed," Baltimore Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake said. "I support their right to free speech but we also have rules and laws."

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NOTICE OF SALE
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GUADALUPE O. BORJA ("Trustor"), on or about October 16, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on October 16, 1984 under Document No. 84-2185 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

Lot No. 017 D 35, containing an area of 900 square meters, more or less, as more particularly described on Drawing/Cadastral Plat Number 017 D 00, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as document number 4842, on the 11th day of September, 1975.

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **November 29, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$24,060.10**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **November 28, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than November 28, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

The sale shall be without warranty as to the title or interest to be conveyed or as to the property under the Deed of Trust, other than that the Trustee is the lawful holder of such Deed of Trust. A deposit of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price must be paid on the day of the auction sale. The remaining balance shall be payable by cash, certified check or cashier's check to NMHC and shall be paid within 72 hours from time of auction sale. Failure to make payment of the remaining balance within 72 hours will result in forfeiture by the buyer of the ten percent (10%) deposit, and any and all of the buyer's rights, title and interest in any of the aforementioned property will revert to NMHC.

Trustee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to cancel or extend the date, time and place for sale of such property. Any prospective buyer must be a person authorized by the Constitution and laws of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands to hold title to real property in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$24,060.10** shall also apply.

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Dated this 25th day of October, 2011.

By: /S/ JOSHUA T. SASAMOTO
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JUAN F. BARCINAS and **BARBARA DLC. EVANGELISTA** (collectively "Trustor"), on or about June 14, 1983, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on June 16, 1983, under Document No. 17490 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

LOT 001 T 52, AS SHOWN ON THE DIVISION OF LANDS AND SURVEY'S OFFICIAL CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 001 T 00, DATED AUGUST 14, 1969, AND CONTAINING AN AREA OF 1,486 SQUARE METERS.

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on September 12, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **November 29, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$72,955.75**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairperson of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **November 28, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than November 28, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

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The further right is reserved, in the absence of satisfactory bids for the outright sale of the said parcel of real property to a qualified buyer, to offer such property at the same time and place, or at a later time, for long-term lease to any person on the usual terms and conditions for long term leases of real property offered by the Trustee to the highest bidder for such lease. The minimum bid amount of **$72,955.75** shall also apply.

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LUCIA M. DELEON GUERRERO ("Trustor"), on or about May 23, 1985, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on May 23, 1985, under Document No. 85-0991 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

TRACT NUMBER 20472-6, CONTAINING AN AREA OF 907 SQUARE METERS, MORE OR LESS, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON DRAWING/CADASTRAL PLAT NUMBER 2064/82, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH WAS REGISTERED WITH THE LAND COMMISSION AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 14154, ON THE 26TH OF MARCH, 1982.

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on November 24, 2008. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

Pursuant to 2 CMC § 4622(b)(2), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Trustee will, on **November 29, 2011**, at 10:00 a.m., at the office of the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, Garapan, P.O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950, under power of sale contained in the Deed of Trust, sell the above described parcel of real property at public auction to the highest qualified bidder, to satisfy the obligations secured by said Deed of Trust. The minimum bid offer shall be not less than **$47,366.74**. Sealed bids will be opened at the auction and those present will be given the opportunity to submit an additional bid, thereby, outbidding the highest sealed bid amount received by NMHC and opened on the date of the auction.

Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **November 28, 2011, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than November 28, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

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MARIA A. TEREGEYO ("Trustor"), on or about June 6, 1984, gave and delivered to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation ("Trustee"), acting on behalf of the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development Office ("USDA"), formerly known as Farmers Home Administration, United States of America ("FmHA"), a Deed of Trust upon certain real property hereinafter described, which Deed of Trust was recorded on June 6, 1984 under Document No. 84-881 to secure payment of a Promissory Note of the Trustor to the Trustee, acting on behalf of the USDA, Rural Development Office.

The Deed of Trust and this Notice of Sale affect the property hereafter described:

Lot No. 005 I 494, containing an area of 745 square meters, more or less, as shown on the Division of Lands and Surveys Official Cadastral Plat Number 2084/82, the original of which was registered with the Land Registry as Document Number 14232 dated May 14, 1982, the description therein being incorporated herein by reference.

The Trustor has defaulted on payment of the Note secured by the Deed of Trust, and by reason of said default, Trustee issued its Notice of Default and served to Trustor on March 13, 2009. More than thirty (30) days have passed since the default notice was served on Trustor and said default has not been cured.

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Sealed bids must be addressed to Ms. Merced M. Tomokane, Chairwoman of the Board, Northern Marianas Housing Corporation, P. O. Box 500514, Saipan, MP 96950 and must also be received no later than **November 28, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. All bids received from outside the Commonwealth must be received no later than November 28, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Untimely sealed bids will be rejected.**

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The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Superior Court is seeking a highly motivated person for the positions of **Probation Officer 1, Office of Adult Probation, Superior Court, CNMI Judicial Branch.** The position is open on Saipan, working under the direct supervision of the Chief Probation Officer or his/her designee. The officer will perform and be responsible for Probation Case Management and other related assignments.

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CNMI Judicial Branch

The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Superior Court is seeking highly motivated people for the positions of **Deputy Clerk 1, Office of the Clerk of Court.** One position is open on Rota and a second on Saipan.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: This position is under the general supervision of the Presiding Judge and the direct supervision of the Clerk of Court or his/her designee. The employee performs work in accordance with established policies, practices, and court procedures. The following are required duties: receives, reviews, and records documents filed for hearings; provides data entry of pleadings onto the court's case management system; provides daily updates of pleadings and other caseload information for assigned judge through the court's automated processes, including but not limited to the document imaging and online filing system; inspects physical and electronic documents submitted to court, including looking for accuracy, proper form, and conformance with court order or court rules; assesses fines, receives and accounts for monies, issues receipts, prepares deposit slips and provides disbursements per court order or requests from customer service window; prepares and maintains physical and electronic file folders for court cases, including tracking of all pleadings associated with individual cases files; serves as a courtroom clerk when court hearings are in session, including but not limited to swearing in of witnesses, logging of all admitted exhibits, tracking all phases of a hearing on an index sheet for the recording counter, operating the electronic recording equipment, and providing continuous monitoring of the recording equipment to ensure the integrity of the record; and, performs other related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS: A high school degree or equivalent plus a minimum of three (3) years related work experience. Strong preference for those with work experience in the legal field. Candidates must possess a valid CNMI driver's license and current police and traffic clearances.

COMPENSATION AND TENURE: These are ungraded positions appointed and serve at the pleasure of the Presiding Judge. Starting salary will be $16,000, commensurate with experience.

INTERESTED PERSONS should submit their resume and complete OPM application to the Director of Courts, Tracy M. Guerrero, PO Box 502165, Guma' Hustisia/limwal Aweewe/House of Justice, Susupe, Saipan, MP 96950. This job vacancy announcement and position description can be viewed at http://www.justice.gov.mp. Additional information if required can be obtained by calling (670) 532-9422 on Rota, 236-9700 or 236-9716 on Saipan. This job vacancy announcement will remain open until filled.

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ACROSS THE NATION

Not your fault! Hormones linked to weight regain

NEW YORK (AP)—Any dieter knows that it's hard to keep off weight you've lost. Now a study finds that even a year after dieters shed a good chunk of weight quickly, their hormones were still insisting, "Eat! Eat! Eat!" The findings suggest that dieters who have regained weight are not just slipping back into old habits, but are struggling against a persistent biological urge. "People who regain weight should not be harsh on themselves, as eating is our most basic instinct," Joseph Proietto of the University of Melbourne in Australia, an author of the study, said in an email. The research appears in Thursday's issue of the *New England Journal of Medicine.*

NYPD keeps files on Muslims who change their names

NEW YORK (AP)—For generations, immigrants have shed their ancestral identities and taken new, Americanized names as they found their place in the melting pot. For Muslims in New York, that rite of assimilation is now seen by police as a possible red flag in the hunt for terrorists. The New York Police Department monitors everyone in the city who changes his or her name, according to interviews and internal police documents obtained by The Associated Press. For those whose names sound Arabic or might be from Muslim countries, police run comprehensive background checks that include reviewing travel records, criminal histories, business licenses and immigration documents.

'Evil' inmate who killed SD guard: I'd kill again

SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP)—A South Dakota inmate who acknowledged killing a state penitentiary guard in a failed escape attempt asked a judge on Wednesday to sentence him to death, saying his one regret is that he did not kill another officer and that he will kill again. Eric Robert, 49, pleaded guilty in September to killing Ronald "R.J." Johnson on April 12—Johnson's birthday—in an attempt to sneak past other security. Robert waived his right to a jury trial and said he wanted to be put to death, but Second Circuit Judge Bradley Zell said the state still had to prove the death penalty is warranted. Robert had been serving an 80-year-sentence on a kidnapping conviction when he attempted to escape with Rodney Berget, 49.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

SEALED BIDS for Terminal Improvements at the Tinian International Airport, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Project No. CPA-TA-002-08 will be received at the office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, Francisco C. Ada / Saipan International Airport, P.O. Box 501055, Saipan, MP, 96950,

All Bids shall be sealed in an envelope and marked on the cover package outside as follows: Tinian International Airport, Terminal Improvements, Project No. CPA-TA-002-08 and must be submitted no later than **2:00 PM** on **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011** to the Office of the Executive Director of the Commonwealth Ports Authority, at the Saipan International Airport, at which time and place the sealed Bids will be publicly opened and read.

The Project, in general, consists of, but is not limited to, demolition, building and site improvements, including concrete foundations, concrete slab-on-grade, cast-in-place concrete, roof membrane, metal roofing, thermal insulation, concrete masonry unit walls, non-structural metal framing, carpentry, gypsum board, ceramic tile, resilient flooring, acoustical ceilings, aluminum doors and frames, aluminum windows, glazing, cabinetry, toilet partitions, toilet accessories, painting, ventilation, air conditioning, plumbing, electrical lighting and power, complete and ready for use all in accordance with the Project Drawings and Specifications.

The Project is being financed by funds from CNMI Capital Improvement Program. The Contract award, if it is made, will be made within ninety (90) calendar days of the receipt of Bid Proposals. CPA reserves the right to hold such Bids in effect for one hundred twenty (120) calendar days from the date of Bid opening.

The Contract period for construction of the Project in its entirety shall be One Hundred Eighty (180) calendar days. Liquidated damages in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars ($300.00) shall be assessed the Contractor for each calendar day completion of the Project is delayed beyond the Contract completion date without approved excuse.

The apparent low Bidder may be subject to a thorough and comprehensive review of its qualifications and Bid Documents to ensure that they are "responsive and responsible." The review will include, but is not necessarily limited to, previous projects experience, financial capability, quantity and quality of equipment and personnel, and ability to secure bonding and insurance. If the apparent low Bidder is found to be not "responsive and responsible", their Bid will be rejected and the next lowest Bidder will be evaluated for qualifications.

All mechanics and laborers on the Project shall be paid no less than the minimum wage rate established by CNMI Law or the U.S. Secretary of Labor, whichever is higher. The Contractor shall take into account minimum wage increases that may be imposed in the CNMI over the life of the Contract. A copy of the CNMI Minimum Wage Rate Determination is included in the General Provisions, Section 70-25.

Each Bidder must complete, sign, and furnish the "Bidder's Statement on Previous Contracts Subject to EEO Clause", a "Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities", and the "Assurance of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises Participation", as contained in the Bid Proposal documents, with submission of their Bid Proposal.

A CD-Rom containing the Bid Proposal and Contract Documents, including Drawings and Specifications, may be obtained at the Office of the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, Francisco C. Ada / Saipan International Airport, upon payment of **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS ($200.00)** for each set of documents in electronic form, including the Bid Schedule. The payment is nonrefundable. Payment shall be made in cash, cashier's check or U.S. postal Money Order made payable to the Commonwealth Ports Authority.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at CPA Conference Room, Tinian International Airport, at 10:00 AM, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011, to explain and clarify any questions regarding this Project. All prospective Bidders are required to attend. Questions should be submitted to the Executive Director, Commonwealth Ports Authority, in writing, at least seven (7) days prior to the Pre-Bid Conference.

Bid Proposals shall be submitted on the Bid Schedule form included on the CD-Rom obtained from the Commonwealth Ports Authority. The Commonwealth Ports Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Bids submitted for: (a) any of the reasons set forth in this Notice to Bidders; or (b) any of the reasons set forth in the CPA Procurement Rules and Regulations regarding Bid rejection or cancellation; (c) any calculation error made in the Bid Schedule or misentry of the quantity of line items; or (d) sufficient justification exists that awarding the Project Contract would not be in the best interest of CPA. CPA further reserves the right to waive any defects in said Bids if, in its sole opinion, to do so would be in CPA's best interest.

The proposed Contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, dated October 13, 1977, and Section 60-1.4(b) of the Regulations of the Secretary of Labor (41 CFR 60-1) as implemented by Section 152.61 of the Federal Aviation Regulations, and to the Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Federal Labor provisions.

Each Bidder must supply all information required by the Bid Proposal documents and Specifications.

The EEO requirements, labor provisions, and wage rates are included in the Specifications. Bid Proposal documents are available for inspection at the Commonwealth Ports Authority office.

A Contractor having 50 or more employees and any subcontractor having 50 or more employees and who may be awarded a contract of Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000.00) or more, will be required to maintain an affirmative action program, the standards for which are contained in the Specifications. To be eligible for award, each Bidder must comply with the affirmative action requirements.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit Bids in response to this Invitation and will not be discriminated against, on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award of any Contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.

Women will be afforded equal opportunity in all areas of employment. However, the employment of women shall not diminish the standards or requirements for employment of minorities.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by either a Bid Bond issued by a U.S. Treasury listed surety company, a Certified Check, or a Cashier's Check in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the Bid Price. Checks shall be made payable to the "Commonwealth Ports Authority".

The proposed Contract is under and subject to the foreign trade restrictions required by 49 CFR Part 30, Denial of Public Works Contracts to Supplier of Goods and Services of Countries that Deny Procurement Market Access to U.S. Contractors.

The Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990 provides that preference be given to steel and manufactured products produced in the United States when funds are expended pursuant to a grant issued under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP).

FOR THE COMMONWEALTH PORTS AUTHORITY:

/s/ MANUEL P. VILLAGOMEZ
Acting Board Chairman / Contracting Officer

Date: September 30, 2011

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Hormel Mary Kitchen Corned Beef Hash 15 oz. $1.99

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Dragon 100% Vegetable Oil 1 Gal. $9.99

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Vegetable Oil 5 Gal. LIMIT 1 $32.99

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Kraft Cool Whip 16 oz. $3.49

Philadelphia Original Cream Cheese $2.99

Maxwell House 34.5 oz. $9.99

Coffee Mate 50 oz. $9.99 $8.99 3 DAYS ONLY OCT. 28-30, 2011

Folgers 33.9 oz. $10.99 $9.99 3 DAYS ONLY OCT. 28-30, 2011

Korean Butane Gas Limit 1 Case $23.99/CASE 3 DAYS ONLY OCT. 28-30, 2011

Foam Cups 51 cnts. $1.99

Bounty Basic 15 ROLLS $16.99

Bounty 15 Rolls $20.99

Foam Plates 125 ct. $7.99

Suave Shampoo and Conditioner (15 oz.) 2 Pcs. $3.00

Horse Shampoo 1 qrt. $3.00 EACH

Charmin Basic 24 doubles rolls =48 $14.99

Charmin Ultra Strong 24 rolls $7.99

Luvs Big Pack (All Size) $20.99

Spoon & Fork No Brand Name 100 cnts. $1.50

Diamond Foil 200 Sq. Ft. $7.99

Bottled White Candle (China) 12 pcs/case $14.99/CASE

Scott Napkin 250 sheets $3.49

Joy Ultra Lemon Diswashing 90 oz. $7.99

Country Time Lemonade 2.33 Kg. $8.99

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Lipton Ice Tea 4 oz. $6.99

Kool Aid 5 lbs. $8.99

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Crisco Shortening 3 lbs. $5.99 Butter

Milo 1kg. $5.99

Nescafe Classic 210g. $5.99

Real Fresh Milk (Reduced/ Regular) $21.99/CASE

Enfamil Premium Lipil 16x8oz. RTF $41.99/CASE

Caprisun Drinks 177ml. $2.99/BOX

Kool Aid Jammer 177ml. $2.99/BOX

Coke Regular 24/Case Warm Only $13.99

Shasta Cola (warm only) 12oz. $12.99/CASE

Ritz Drink All Flavor (warm only) $12.99

Pepsi 330ml Warm Only $14.99/CASE All Flavors

Budweiser/Budlight 24/Case Warm Only $28.99 3 DAYS ONLY OCT. 28-30, 2011

Miller Lite 24/Case Warm Only $26.99

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PORK CHOP	$11.95	BEEF BACK RIBS	$7.95	SMOKED HAM STEAK	$12.95
PORK BELLY	$11.95	BEEF OXTAIL	$16.95	PORK BUTT	$10.95

World

Man loses mother, wife, 4 children in Turkey quake

ERCIS, Turkey (AP)—Murat Sonmez's mother, wife and four daughters were crushed to death in their home by Turkey's 7.2-magnitude earthquake, leaving him so distraught he found it difficult to speak.

While media coverage has centered on tales of against-the-odds rescues including a 2-week-old baby girl who was pulled alive from the rubble, most stories of the trapped have ended the way that Sonmez knows, with death and unfathomable pain for those left behind.

"I was not at home," Sonmez said, lapsing into silence at times Wednesday. "God gave them, God took them away. I can't find anything to say.

"I can't describe my pain," he said as he stood by a leveled four-story apartment building.

He listed the dead: 32-year-old wife Meral, four daughters—2-year-old Nisa Nur, 7-year-old Meryem, 12-year-old Asli and 15-year-old Meral—and his 65-year-old mother, Hatice. They lived on the second floor, above some businesses. The third and fourth floors were occupied by Sonmez's brother and father, who managed to escape.

He said he and relatives pulled out their dead and buried them, just a few of the victims of the quake that struck eastern Turkey on Sunday, killing at least 461 people.

Elsewhere in Ercis, the town hit hardest by the quake, two teachers and a university student were rescued from ruined buildings on Wednesday, but searchers said hopes of finding anyone else alive were rapidly fading.

NTV television said 25-year-old teacher Seniye Erdem was pulled out around the same time that rescue workers also freed another teacher. The woman was thirsty and asked about her husband, who had died, it said.

Excavators with heavy equipment began clearing debris from some collapsed buildings in Ercis after searchers removed bodies and determined there were no other survivors. More than 1,350 people were injured.

Gozde Bahar, a 27-year-old English teacher, was pulled out of a ruined building on Wednesday with injuries as her tearful mother watched anxiously. The Anatolia news agency said her heart stopped at a field hospital but doctors managed to revive her.

WORLD BRIEFS

Bomb explodes in food market in Pakistan, hurts 11

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP)—Police say a bomb has exploded in the main food market in the northwestern Pakistani city of Peshawar and 11 people were hurt. Police officer Shafqat Malik says three of the injured from Thursday's attack are in serious condition. He says the bomb contained about 6.5 pounds (3 kilograms) of explosives and was planted in a cooking oil canister. Local TV footage showed damaged shops with pieces of metal and wood littering the ground.

Hugo Chavez: 'There is no government in Libya'

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP)—Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said Wednesday that he won't recognize Libya's new government and predicted more war in the country. The Venezuelan leader condemned the killing of Libyan strongman Moammar Gadhafi, whom he had considered a friend. He defended Gadhafi throughout the conflict and strongly criticized NATO's military involvement in the country.

Yemeni women burn their veils to protest crackdown

SANAA, Yemen (AP)—Hundreds of Yemeni women on Wednesday set fire to traditional female veils to protest the government's brutal crackdown against the country's popular uprising, as overnight clashes in the capital and another city killed 25 people, officials said. The women in Yemen have taken a key role in the uprising against President Ali Abdullah Saleh's authoritarian rule that erupted in March, inspired by other Arab revolutions.

Thousands leave flood-surrounded Thai capital

BANGKOK (AP)—Tens of thousands of people jammed bus stations and highways to flee Thailand's capital as flood forecasts turned more grim and the first official evacuations were ordered. Floodwaters bearing down on the metropolis of 9 million people have killed 373 people nationwide since July, caused billions of dollars in damage and shut Bangkok's second largest airport. The capital has mostly escaped unscathed, but residents are preparing for flooding that seems all but inevitable.

6.0 quake hits South Pacific near Fiji

NEW YORK (AP)—An earthquake has struck about 140 miles (230 kilometers) east of the capital of Fiji. There are no immediate reports of damage or injuries. The U.S. Geological Survey says the magnitude-6.0 quake struck Thursday at a depth of 380 miles (611 kilometers). The Pacific Tsunami Warning Center did not immediately issue a tsunami alert.

Commonwealth Utilities Corporation
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JVA No. 11-058
Opening Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Closing Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Stipulated Order II Project Coordinator

DUTIES: COMMONWEALTH UTILITIES COPORATION (CUC) is a government entity that provides power, water and wastewater service on Saipan and power and water services on Tinian and Rota in the NMI. This position is under the supervision of the Technical Manager for Oil (TMO) or his/her designee. Position shall be primarily responsible for oversight of projects and compliance activities including oil management in support of the Stipulated Order (SO) of the United States of America vs. the Commonwealth Utilities Corporation and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marian Islands. The "Project Coordinator (PC) " shall assist the TMO for overseeing, all oil spill prevention , preparedness and response operations and compliance activities and deliverables, on a daily basis as required by stipulated order. The PC shall also function as the Acting TMO during the absence or non-availability of EPA and will be the person responsible for maintaining regular contact with EPA staff regarding section 311 CWA compliance issues, including representation in the US Federal court and other regulatory agencies. In the absence of the TMO, PC will have authority to make decisions for the management and operations of oil related items required by stipulated order.

LOCATION: Saipan , Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: Pursuant to qualifications $50,000.00 to $74,989.00 per annum; Un-classified; Un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Two-year

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: Completion of four (4)years of college or its equivalent with major work in engineering , with the following :
- 10 years in project administration and management, including overseeing work of contractors and company staff in an executive management position with proven management and communication skills.
- Environmental compliance, with a min of three (3) years of experience with oil spill, prevention, preparedness and response, environmental assessment related to power plant operations and extensive knowledge of DEQ and EPA regulations.
- 5 years experience in preparing bid or request for quotations and proposals.
- 5 years experience in contract negotiation and preparation.

Desirable:
- Prior experience of staff training and development.
- Master's degree in engineering and registration as professional engineer pursuant to the National Council of Engineering Examiners standards in civil, mechanical or chemical engineering.
- Certification in API tank inspection.

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JVA No. 11-059
Opening Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Closing Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Assistant Engineer (Electrical)

DUTIES: Under the general supervision of the Deputy Director for Rota or his/her designee. Assists with designs, executes, coordinates, or oversees assigned pieces of projects to ensure adherence with applicable specifications and standards. Assists the public with a variety of inquiries and requests; provides technical information on projects. Maintains project files; prepares related correspondence. Prepare RFPs. Assists with design calculations, engineering drawings, and sketch preparations. Prepare technical and engineering reports. Performs system loss and efficiency studies. Performs research for Engineers. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level as required.

LOCATION: Power Plant, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $23,200.00 to $33,640.00 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering. Knowledge of: Safe work practices; Applicable Federal, State, and/or Local laws, rules, and regulations; Basic project management principles; Engineering Math; Engineering principles and practices. Skill in: Interpreting and applying Federal, State, and/or Local laws, rules, and regulations; Preparing a variety of technical reports and/or documentation; Presenting technical information to management, public groups, and other related individuals; Trouble-shooting and problem solving; Reading and interpreting scaled drawings; Preparing specifications, plans, and cost estimates; Conducting studies; Using CAD programs to prepare plans for small projects and exhibits; Using computers and related software applications; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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JVA No. 11-060
Opening Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011
Closing Date: Wednesday, November 2, 2011

Assistant Engineer (Mechanical)

DUTIES: Under the general supervision of the Deputy Director for Power or his/her designee. Assists with designs, executes, coordinates, or oversees assigned pieces of projects to ensure adherence with applicable specifications and standards. Assists the public with a variety of inquiries and requests; provides technical information on projects. Maintains project files; prepares related correspondence. Prepare RFPs. Assists with design calculations, engineering drawings, and sketch preparations. Prepare technical and engineering reports. Performs system loss and efficiency studies. Performs research for Engineers. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level as required.

LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $23,200.00 to $33,640.00 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: Bachelor's Degree in Mechanical Engineering. Knowledge of: Safe work practices; Applicable Federal, State, and/or Local laws, rules, and regulations; Basic project management principles; Engineering Math; Engineering principles and practices. Skill in: Interpreting and applying Federal, State, and/or Local laws, rules, and regulations; Preparing a variety of technical reports and/or documentation; Presenting technical information to management, public groups, and other related individuals; Trouble-shooting and problem solving; Reading and interpreting scaled drawings; Preparing specifications, plans, and cost estimates; Conducting studies; Using CAD programs to prepare plans for small projects and exhibits; Using computers and related software applications; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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Trades Technician (Mechanic)

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LOCATION: Power Plant, Rota, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $17,282 to $25,059 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma, General Education Diploma, or Adult Basic Education and four years of increasingly responsible, proven experience in the trade—in this case mechanic. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Basic mathematics. Skill in: Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in assigned service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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JVA No. 11-062
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LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $17,282 to $25,059 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: Thirteen
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma, General Education Diploma, or Adult Basic Education and four years of increasingly responsible, proven experience in the trade—in this case mechanic. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Basic mathematics. Skill in: Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in assigned service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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Off The Wall

OFFBEAT BRIEFS

$100 bet gets Calif. man stuck in child swing set

VALLEJO, Calif. (AP)—A 21-year-old Northern California man was left hanging at a playground swing set overnight after he got stuck in the diaper-like seat for nine hours. Vallejo police say the man made a $100 bet with his friends that he could fit into a child's swing at Blue Rock Springs Park on Friday night. With the help of liquid laundry detergent, he managed to slide his legs into the seat. Authorities say that's when he got stuck—and his friends took off. A groundskeeper found the man screaming for help the next morning. Firefighters cut the chains off the swing and took him to the hospital, where a cast cutter was used to remove the seat.

Sibling rivalry as Ohio brothers vie for mayor

ELMORE, Ohio (AP)—It's brother against brother in a northwest Ohio village where siblings are vying for mayor. Incumbent Lowell Krumnow is being challenged on the Nov. 8 ballot by Councilman James Krumnow in Elmore, 20 miles southeast of Toledo. The councilman tells The Blade of Toledo the community with a population of about 1,400 is ready for a change and a fresh face. He says some residents asked him to try to unseat his younger brother. The mayor, who has been in office since 1992, says he believes people are satisfied with his leadership. He also says he has a courteous relationship with his brother and says they communicate.

Kentucky bridge is free, but must be set back up

FRANKFORT, Ky. (AP)—Kentucky transportation officials are offering a bridge to any taker who will preserve it. The three-span steel truss bridge over the Kentucky River in the state's southeastern corner would be free and is available after a new bridge is completed next year to carry Ky. 80. The Lexington Herald-Leader reports that the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet would even pay for taking down the 82-year-old, 456-foot bridge and hauling it to the new owner's location. The catch is that whoever takes it has to set it back up in its original form and maintain it.

Trucker rethinks next haul after crash with bees

SALT LAKE CITY (AP)—Truck driver Louis Holst has never been scared of bees, but he's rethinking his next long-haul load a day after being swarmed by 25 million of the stinging insects. Holst and his wife, Tammie, picked up 460 bee hives in South Dakota and were about 36 hours into their drive Sunday night when he hit a sharp bend in a construction zone on Interstate 15 in southern Utah. The twist in the road toppled his trailer and sent the bees into a frenzy. Authorities closed the southbound lanes of I-15 near St. George for several hours while area beekeepers headed to the scene to try to corral the insects. The road was reopened early Monday morning, and Holst said most of the bees were either dead or gone.

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JVA No. 11-063

Opening Date: Wednesday, October 26, 2011
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LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $17,282 to $25,059 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: Five.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma, General Education Diploma, or Adult Basic Education and four years of increasingly responsible, proven experience in the trade—in this case electrical. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Basic mathematics. Skill in: Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in assigned service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $17,282 to $25,059 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: Four.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma, General Education Diploma, or Adult Basic Education and four years of increasingly responsible, proven experience in the trade—in this case operator. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Basic mathematics. Skill in: Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level maintenance and installations in assigned service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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Trades Foreperson (Mechanic)

DUTIES: Under the general supervision of the Deputy Director for Power or his/her designee. Serves as a foreperson, leading a team of workers - assigning and monitoring work and providing technical direction. Trouble shooting and Problem Solving. Plans work and prepares daily schedules and submits for approval. Responsible for teams output and productivity. Performs inspections and monitors subordinates work. Responsible for safety and enforcing CUC policies within the team. Performs inventory spot checks on tools, parts and materials; processes requisitions for necessary tools, parts and materials. Prepares and submits weekly and monthly reports. Provides technical advice and performs journeyman level operations and maintenance level work in the service area assigned. Performs other duties of a similar nature or level as required.

LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY: $21,104 to $30,601 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS: High School Diploma or General Education Diploma or Adult Basic Education. Four years of journey-level experience at the level of a Trades Technician, or comparable experience related to the Power Generation area assigned, including one year of experience leading a crew. Graduation from a Vocational/Technical Institution as a mechanic. Knowledge of: Principles and procedures of service area assigned; Inspection and troubleshooting principles; Preventative maintenance principles; Inventory control principles; Mathematics for Technicians. Skill in: Preparing daily schedules, prioritizing and assigning work to staff; Trouble shooting; Preparing cost and materials estimates; Performing preventative maintenance; Performing journey level operations and maintenance in service area; Performing site inspections and recognizing problem areas; Using computers and related software applications; Communication, interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisor, the general public, etc. sufficient to exchange or convey information and to receive work direction.

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Trades Foreperson (Electrical)

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LOCATION: Power Generation, Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands, USA.
SALARY $21,104 to $30,601 per annum; un-classified; un-graded.
POSITIONS: One.
CONTRACT: Not Contracted.

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Asia Pacific Hotels, Inc dba Century Hotel

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

(1) WAITER/WAITRESS
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with minimum 2 years work experience preferably in hotel operations. Good customer service, communications and interpersonal skills are required. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) F&B SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Strong customer service skills and people oriented. Must be reliable and self-motivated. Is able to stand for long periods of time and lift up to 25 pounds. Minimum 6 years work experience as F&B supervisor preferably in a hotel. Foreign language skill a plus. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

(1) A/C REFRIGERATION MECHANIC
Qualifications: Able to install and repair industrial and commercial refrigeration systems. 3 years previous work experience preferably in a hotel or 5 years work experience in a similar large complex with central plant. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(3) HOUSEKEEPER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must be able to speak and write in English. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Good customer service skills are essential. High school graduate or equivalent.

(1) GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORKER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as a Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building or complex with central plant. Willingness to work outside (if necessary) in inclement weather. Must be able to carry and lift heavy objects. Possession of a valid driver's license is essential.

(1) FRONT DESK SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience in customer service. Minimum 2 years work experience as a supervisor. Must be able to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing to employees and guests. Requires frequent walking, and lifting. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

(2) GUEST RELATIONS AGENT
Qualifications: 2 years work experience in providing quality customer service, preferably in hotel operations. Guest Services Agent is responsible for providing guests fast, friendly and efficient service. Must have knowledge in Microsoft Office applications. Must have outstanding ability to perform several tasks at once. Must be able to work a flexible schedule including weekends, nights and holidays. Foreign language speaking skill is highly preferred.

Applications can be obtained at the Security Office at the Hotel's South Wing. To be considered, applications must be submitted not later than October 31, 2011. Background checks and pre-employment drug testing will be required prior to employment.

Fiesta Resort & Spa, Saipan is an Equal Opportunity Employer Qualified Women, Minorities, Veterans and Persons with Disabilities are urged to apply.

Century Travel Agency dba., Century Tours is inviting qualified applicants to apply for the following positions :

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Position: (2) Accountant
Qualifications: Associates degree in Accounting with at least 3 years related experience in financial management for a travel and tour company. Proficient in the use of SAP R3 FICO system and MS Excel, Word and Powerpoint. Must be able to work under pressure and can work flexible hours. CPA not required.

Position: (1) Travel Coordinator
Qualifications: Associates degree and some training in this field and Previous work-related skill, knowledge, or at least 2 years experience. Preferably Chinese speaking, and can read, write, and understand Mandarin. Must have excellent communication skills and must be professional and courteous when dealing with travel representatives and clients. Proficient in the use of Amadeus Altea Reservation; Microsoft Office; Microsoft Excel; and Microsoft Word.

Position: (5) Tour Coordinator
Qualifications: Associates degree and some training in this field and Previous work-related skill, knowledge, or at least 2 years experience. Preferably Chinese speaking, and can read, write, and understand Mandarin. Must have excellent communication skills and must be professional and courteous when dealing with travel representatives and clients. Proficient in the use of Microsoft Office; Microsoft Excel; Microsoft Word and Tour Information system.

Position: (18) Tour Guide
Qualifications: Associates degree and some training in this field and Previous work-related skill, knowledge, or at least 2 years experience. Preferably Chinese speaking, and can read, write, and understand Mandarin. Must have excellent communication skills and must be professional and courteous when dealing with travel representatives and clients. Must be well-organized, accurate, detail oriented and knowledge about the islands.

Applications can be obtained at the Security Office at the Hotel's Backside. To be considered, applications must be submitted not later than November 01, 2011, Background checks and pre-employment drug testing will be required prior to employment.

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The Three Musketeers

Friday		4:10	7:10	9:45
Saturday	1:10	4:10	7:10	9:45
Sunday	1:10	4:10	7:10	
Mon thru Thurs		4:10	7:10	

Logan Lerman, Milla Jovovich

Adventure • Rated PG 13

Synopsis

The Three Musketeers ride again in this three-dimensional revamp from Impact Pictures and writer/producer Paul W.S. Anderson (Alien vs. Predator, Resident Evil). Percy Jackson & the Olympians' Logan Lerman toplines as D'Artagnan, the brash young man who bands up with the famed trio (Luke Evans, Matthew Macfadyen, and Ray Stevenson) to fight the corrupt the dreaded Cardinal Richelieu (Christoph Waltz). Mads Mikkelsen and Milla Jovovich co-star in the Summit Entertainment release.

Paranormal Activity 3

Friday		4:15	7:15	9:50
Saturday	1:15	4:15	7:15	9:50
Sunday	1:15	4:15	7:15	
Mon thru Thurs		4:15	7:15	

Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman, directing

Thriller, Horror • Rated R

Synopsis

The Paranormal Activity franchise continues with this third outing from Paramount Pictures. Oren Peli and Jason Blum return to produce the highly secretive feature, with Catfish's directing duo of Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman taking on the helming duties.

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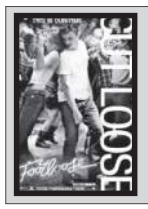

Footloose

Friday		4:25	7:25	9:55
Saturday	1:25	4:25	7:25	9:55
Sunday	1:25	4:25	7:25	
Mon thru Thurs		4:25	7:25	

Kenny Wormald, Julianne Hough

Mucical, Drama • Rated PG 13

The Thing

Friday		4:20	7:20	9:40
Saturday	1:20	4:20	7:20	9:40
Sunday	1:20	4:20	7:20	
Mon thru Thurs		4:20	7:20	

Mary Elizabeth Winstead, Ulrich Thomsen

Science fiction, Horror • Rated R

Real Steel

Friday		4:30	7:30	10:00
Saturday	1:30	4:30	7:30	10:00
Sunday	1:30	4:30	7:30	
Mon thru Thurs		4:30	7:30	

Hugh Jackman, Dakota Goyo

Science fiction/Drama • Rated PG 13

Dolphin Tales

Friday		4:00	7:00	9:30
Saturday	1:00	4:00	7:00	9:30
Sunday	1:00	4:00	7:00	
Mon thru Thurs		4:00	7:00	

Morgan Freeman, Ashley Judd

Children's/family • Rated PG

Dream House

Friday		4:05	7:05	9:35
Saturday	1:05	4:05	7:05	9:35
Sunday	1:05	4:05	7:05	
Mon thru Thurs		4:05	7:05	

Daniel Craig, Naomi Watts

Thriller • Rated PG 13

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Science & Technology

Austrian student takes on Facebook over privacy

VIENNA (AP)—Max Schrems wasn't sure what he would get when he asked Facebook to send him a record of his personal data from three years of using the site.

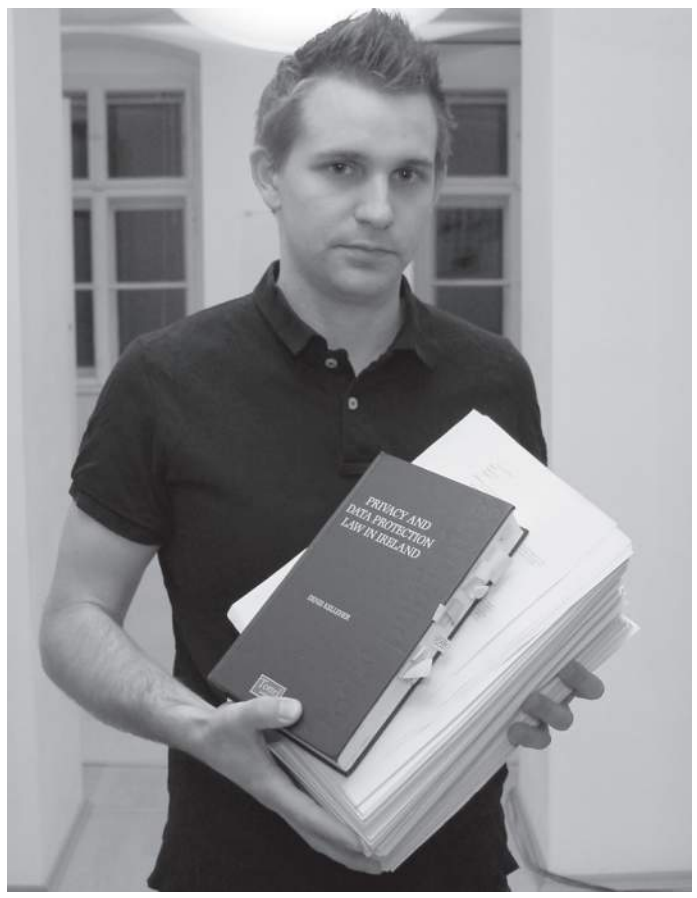
What the 24-year-old Austrian law student didn't expect, though, was 1,222 pages of data on a CD. It included chats he had deleted more than a year ago, "pokes" dating back to 2008, invitations to which he had never responded, let alone attended, and hundreds of other details.

Time for an "aha" moment.

In response, Schrems has launched an online campaign aimed at forcing the social media behemoth that has 800 million users to abide by European data privacy laws—something the Palo Alto, California-based company insists it already does.

Yet since Schrems launched his "Europe vs. Facebook" website in August, Facebook has increasingly been making overtures not only to Schrems, but to other Europeans concerned about data privacy, including Germany's data security watchdogs.

"Have we done enough in the past to deal with you? No," Facebook's director of European public policy, Richard Allan, testified Tuesday before a German parliamentary committee on new media. "Will we do more now? Yes."



AP

In this photo taken Monday, Oct. 10, 2011, Austrian student Max Schrems holds files about his activities on his Facebook account that Facebook handed over to him, in Vienna, Austria.

The lawmakers were holding a hearing on privacy rights.

Europeans—Germans in particular—have long been more concerned about data privacy than their U.S. peers. Still, the European campaign comes amid increased agitation in the U.S. over what many view as invasive Internet marketing practices that allow consumers to be observed, analyzed and harvested for profit, with no regard for their right to privacy.

Last month, several U.S. privacy interest groups asked the U.S. Federal Trade Commission in Washington to look into recent changes made by Facebook that give the company greater ability to disclose users' personal information to businesses than it used to have.

The German lawmakers brought up a raft of complaints Tuesday, from allegations that Facebook's "Like" button allows the company to track non-members Internet activity, to concerns over the company's use of facial recognition software on personal photos.

One of Schrems' main complaints with Facebook, he says, is that company retains information far longer than allowed under European law, which it most cases is limited to a few months.

Nokia unveils Windows smartphones to catch rivals

HELSINKI (AP)—Nokia Corp. on Wednesday launched its long-awaited first Windows cellphones, hoping to claw back market share it has lost in the tough, top-end smartphone race to chief rivals, Apple Inc.'s iPhone, Samsung and Google's Android software.

But some analysts say it may be too little, too late, for the world's top mobile phone maker.

With price tags of euro420 ($580) and euro270, the Lumia 800 and 710 are based on Microsoft Corp.'s Windows 7 software and come eight months after Nokia and the computing giant said they were hitching up.

"Lumia is reasonably good ... but it's not an iPhone killer or a Samsung killer," Neil Mawston from Strategy Analytics said. "But where Nokia does stand out is on their price—it looks like they are going to be very competitive."

Lumia 800, with Carl Zeiss optics and 16GB of internal memory, will be available in selected European countries in November, including France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Spain and Britain. It will be sold in Hong Kong, India, Russia, Singapore and Taiwan before the year-end.

Lumia 710, with a 1.4 GHz processor, navigational applications and Nokia Music—a free, mobile music-streaming app—will first be available in Hong Kong, India, Russia, Singapore and Taiwan toward the end of the year.

The company's share price jumped almost 3 percent in an otherwise depressed market on the Helsinki Stock Exchange but settled, closing almost unchanged at euro4.80 ($6.68).

STUMP THE GEEKS

Sorting out new-computer jargon

By TYLER DUKES
MCCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

QUESTION: I'm looking to buy a new computer. Intel has new second-generation core chips, but I don't know what the various specs really do for a computer. For instance, the i5 is 3 GHz with a 6-MB L3 cache, while the i7 is 2.7 GHz with 8 MB of L3 cache. So the i5 has higher GHz while the i7 has a higher L3 cache. What the heck do either of these mean? And how does the hard drive RPM fit into this?—Randi, Fuquay-Varina, N.C.

ANSWER: There's nothing quite so thrilling as struggling to parse the techno jargon that surrounds the purchase of a new computer. Even the best advice is full of exceptions. And with rapid advances in technology, you can bet all the research you did when you bought your last system three to five years ago won't do you much good in a market that's substantially faster and cheaper. That can be great for your wallet, but not for your sanity.

Luckily, the basics don't change that often—except when they do—so it's helpful to remember how a computer performs before prioritizing where to sink your cash.

Craig Petronella, president of Petronella Computer Consultants in Raleigh, N.C., likes to put things in terms of food. He says a computer processor's cache is very fast, with a small memory, and you can think of it like the refrigerator in your house, storing what you eat the most.

"The bigger your fridge, the less trips to the grocery store," Petronella said. "Using this analogy, the larger the cache on the CPU, the more info the CPU can calculate in shorter periods of time."

When a craving strikes that your fridge can't satisfy, your computer's next stop is the convenience store around the corner. That's the random-access memory, a little bigger, a little slower. The CPU's last stop—the grocery store of sorts—is your hard drive, which will always take the longest to access but has the largest amount of storage.

The speed of the processor itself, measured in gigahertz, used to be a bigger factor when it came to a computer purchase, but Petronella says any of Intel's I-series options should be fine for the average user. Those who are looking to perform processor-intensive work like video editing, drafting or design are the exception.

He recommends investing first in as much RAM as possible and next in the speed of the hard drive before focusing on the CPU. One option is to spring for a solid-state hard drive, which basically uses the same technology as the thumb drive you may carry on your keychain. It has no moving parts and is faster than more traditional, mechanical hard disk drives (which specify, in revolutions per minute, how fast they spin).

Petronella's only exception would be in the case of a laptop purchase.

"For laptops, most CPUs cannot be upgraded, so it may make good sense to get the fastest CPU available now and upgrade the RAM and hard drives later," Petronella said.

As I said, buying a computer is fun. Except when it's not.

Send your high-tech question to stumpthegeeks@newsobserver.com. Please include your name, address and daytime phone number.

Life & Style

Coroner: Amy Winehouse died from too much alcohol

LONDON (AP)—Amy Winehouse drank herself to death. That was the ruling of a coroner's inquest into the death of the Grammy-winning soul singer, who died with empty vodka bottles in her room and lethal amounts of alcohol in her blood—more than five times the British drunk driving limit.

Coroner Suzanne Greenaway gave a verdict of "death by misadventure," saying Wednesday the singer suffered accidental alcohol poisoning when she resumed drinking after weeks of abstinence.

"The unintended consequence of such potentially fatal levels (of alcohol) was her sudden and unexpected death," Greenaway said.

The 27-year-old Winehouse had fought a very public battle with drug and alcohol abuse for years, and there had been much speculation that she died from a drug overdose. But a pathologist said the small amount of a drug prescribed to help her cope with the symptoms of alcohol withdrawal had nothing to do with her death.

Winehouse

Instead, a resumption of heavy drinking killed the singer, best-known for her tall beehive hairdos and Grammy-winning album "Back to Black." A security guard found Winehouse dead in bed at her London home on July 23.

"She's made tremendous efforts over the years," said Dr. Christina Romete, who had treated Winehouse. But "she had her own way and was very determined to do everything her way."

Winehouse gave up illicit drugs in 2008, but had swerved between heavy alcohol use and abstinence for a long time, Romete said. The singer had resumed drinking in the days before her death after staying away from alcohol for most of July, she said.

Romete said she warned Winehouse of the dangers of alcoholism. "The advice I had given to Amy over a long period of time was verbal and in written form about all the effects alcohol can have on the system, including respiratory depression and death, heart problems, fertility problems and liver problems," she said.

Winehouse joins a long list of celebrities who died after fighting alcohol problems, including jazz great Billie Holiday, AC/DC lead singer Bon Scott, film legend Richard Burton, writers Dylan Thomas and Jack Kerouac, and country music pioneer Hank Williams.

Witnesses testifying Wednesday said the singer showed no signs she wanted to kill herself and had spoken of her weekend plans as well as her upcoming birthday just hours before she was found dead.

"She was looking forward to the future," Romete said, describing Winehouse as "tipsy" but calm when they met the night before her death. That night, her live-in security guard said he heard her laughing, watching television and listening to music at home.

The guard, Andrew Morris, said he knew she had resumed drinking, but did not notice anything unusual until he found that she had stopped breathing in bed the next afternoon.

Police Detective Inspector Les Newman said three empty vodka bottles—two large and one small—were found in her bedroom.

Pathologist Suhail Baithun said blood and urine samples indicated Winehouse had consumed a "very large quantity of alcohol" prior to her death. The level of alcohol in her blood was 416 milligrams per 100 milliliters, he said—a blood alcohol level of 0.4 percent. The British and U.S. legal drunk-driving limit is 0.08 percent.

Bruce Willis expecting a baby with wife Emma

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Bruce Willis is adding to his brood.

A representative for the 56-year-old actor says he is expecting a baby with wife Emma Heming Willis. Publicist Samantha Mast says this is the first child for the couple, who were married in March, 2009.

Willis and his wife are "overjoyed with this news and they look forward to welcoming this newest addition into their family," according to a statement released Wednesday.

Willis has three daughters—23-year-old Rumer, 20-year-old Scout and 17-year-old Tallulah Belle—from his previous marriage to Demi Moore.

AP

In this Jan. 16, 2011 file photo, actor Bruce Willis arrives with his wife Emma Heming at the Weinstein Company Golden Globes after party in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Jackson doc moved to tears by five patients' testimony

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Michael Jackson's doctor, a model of composure throughout his four-week trial, was moved to tears when five patients marched into court Wednesday to offer testimonials about his medical skills.

Dr. Conrad Murray maintained his typically calm demeanor until Ruby Mosley, a tiny gray-haired woman with a cane, struggled to the witness stand to defend him.

She spoke of knowing his father, also a doctor, in the poor community of Acres Home outside Houston and said she met Conrad Murray when he opened a clinic dedicated to his father's memory. "If this man was greedy he never would have come to the community of Acres Home," she said, testifying that most residents are senior citizens on fixed incomes.

Murray's eyes brimmed with tears and he wiped them with a tissue for several moments after Mosley left the witness stand. She was the last of five character witnesses that Murray's attorneys called during the doctor's involuntary manslaughter trial. He has pleaded not guilty.

Authorities contend Murray gave Jackson a lethal dose of the anesthetic propofol in the singer's bedroom on June 25, 2009, while treating him for a sleep disorder. Defense attorneys claim the singer gave himself the deadly dose.

SHOWBIZ TIDBITS

Paraguay dentist says Aerosmith's Tyler doing fine

ASUNCION, Paraguay (AP)—The Paraguayan dentist who treated Steven Tyler says the Aerosmith singer is "doing splendidly." Dr. Maria Bastos also says Tyler was "friendly and humble" as he received two dental implants. She told the Monumental radio station on Wednesday that Tyler "surprised me with his cheerfulness." Officials of the Garzia Group that is organizing the concert say the 63-year-old singer apparently became dizzy due to gastrointestinal problems and fell in his hotel bathroom. He suffered cuts and broke two teeth, forcing a one-day delay in a concert in the Paraguayan capital of Asuncion. It's now scheduled for Wednesday night.

Lindsay Lohan's dad appears in Florida court

TAMPA, Fla. (AP)—The estranged father of actress Lindsay Lohan made his first appearance in court on domestic violence charges. Michael Lohan walked out of the jail Wednesday afternoon. Bail had been set at $5,000. The 51-year-old Lohan told reporters he "didn't do anything" and this was his girlfriend's way of making money. Lohan is accused of grabbing his on-and-off girlfriend and pushing her down multiple times during an argument at her Tampa condo Sunday. The judge told Lohan to stay away from 28-year-old Kate Major. Authorities say Lohan went to Major's condo and that she decided to let him stay even though she had a temporary domestic violence injunction against him in Sarasota County.

10 Whiting award winners announced; prize $50,000

NEW YORK (AP)—Ten emerging writers including a novelist in New York City and a poet in Casa Grande, Ariz., are among this year's winners of the Whiting Writers' Awards. The prize is worth $50,000 per winner. It's given out annually to writers of "exceptional talent and promise." The recipients announced Tuesday include Manhattan-based novelist Teddy Wayne and fellow fiction writers Ryan Call, Scott Blackwood and Daniel Orozco. Arizona's Eduardo C. Corral was among four poets cited, along with Don Mee Choi, Kerri Webster and Shane McCrae. The other winners were nonfiction author Paul Clemens and playwright Amy Herzog. Previous Whiting winners include Jonathan Franzen, Tony Kushner and Jeffrey Eugenides.

Uncle's ashes 'temporarily' housed in mom's mausoleum

By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN
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Dear Abby

DEAR ABBY: My 87-year-old mother recently discovered that the mausoleum site she had reserved for herself next to my father's grave—and paid for when he died -- was occupied by my uncle's ashes and headstone. Mom had moved away 20 years ago and had not visited the cemetery in all that time.

My cousin's explanation, when confronted by my tearful mom, was that it was a "temporary solution" as the mausoleum was full at the time of my uncle's death. They were planning to move him. Apparently, it has taken 14 years for them to get around to it.

Mom had to send a notarized letter to the cemetery asking that my uncle's remains be removed. My cousins, who are wealthy and successful people, saved $800 by using my mother's prepaid site. Should Mom charge them rent?

BEWILDERED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR BEWILDERED: I don't think your mother should ask your cousins for "rent," but I do think your mother should contact the owners of the cemetery and ask what they plan to do to compensate her for her distress. Frankly, I don't understand how they could have allowed your uncle's ashes to be placed in her reserved site. The ball will then be in their court—and if they are ethical and responsible, they may offer free opening and closing costs at the time of her death.

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DEAR ABBY: My daughter "Joy" is 19. She attended a small school with about 40 other students in her grade. She never had a boyfriend—or even a date—until the first week of college a year ago. The boy was a high school classmate of hers. They became engaged before he went off to boot camp.

My husband and I are extremely concerned because of Joy's age and inexperience. Her fiance is OK, but we feel they are not for each other. We're positive she could find someone more compatible, but who's going to approach her with that ring on her finger? I feel my daughter has low self-esteem and is afraid she won't find anyone else. How do we make Joy see that she's too young and inexperienced to make such an important decision?

MAMA KNOWS BETTER IN OHIO

DEAR MAMA KNOWS BETTER: You can't. As well-meaning and caring a mother as you are, if you try to tell your daughter what you have in mind you will only make her defensive. Instead, encourage her to wait until her fiance returns home and she either has her college degree or is close to it before they tie the knot. It will go a long way to making her more employable when she starts a career of her own. And if her fiance decides to make a career of the military, it will make her more employable as they are transferred from place to place.

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DEAR ABBY: It's almost Halloween and parents need to teach their children that if a house does not have its porch light on, it means the resident will not be handing out candy or other treats.

There are many reasons people don't participate. Some people run out of treats early, while others simply can't afford to buy candy in the first place. These homes should not be targeted with "tricks" or vandalism. Simply skip the house with the lights off and move on to the next one that has its lights on.

LIGHTS ON IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LIGHTS ON: Your letter is a timely one, and I'm glad you brought the subject up because what you have written is correct. Some people do not participate in Halloween for religious and other reasons, and their beliefs should be respected.

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Pastimes

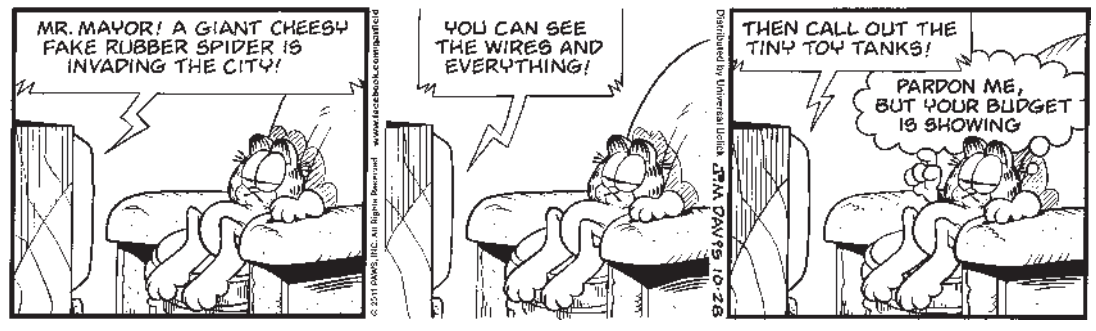
Calvin and Hobbes

By Bill Waterson

HA HA! I HAVE TURNED MYSELF INVISIBLE!
BY REMOVING MY CLOTHING I CAN PERPETRATE ANY CRIME UNDETECTED!
I HAVE COMPLETE FREEDOM! I CAN GET AWAY WITH ANYTHING!
CALVIN! WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING IN THE COOKIE JAR WITHOUT YOUR CLOTHES ON?!?
10-22
WATTERSON

Garfield®

By Jim Davis


MR. MAYOR! A GIANT CHEESY FAKE RUBBER SPIDER IS INVADING THE CITY!
YOU CAN SEE THE WIRES AND EVERYTHING!
THEN CALL OUT THE TINY TOY TANKS!
PARDON ME, BUT YOUR BUDGET IS SHOWING
JIM DAVIS 10-28

Adam@home

By Bryan Basset

PLEASE, DAD. WE NEED A DOG.
I NEED SOMEONE WHO'S THERE FOR ME...SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS ME.
SOMEONE TO HAVE FUN WITH. SOMEONE WHO'LL SHOW ME THINGS.
SOMEONE WHO'S NOT TOO EMOTIONAL.
WAAA!

The Duplex

By Glenn McCoy

I WONDER HOW MY PUMPKIN PAL GORDY IS DOING
He's PROBABLY LONELY OUT THERE ON THE FRONT PORCH. I SHOULD Go KEEP HIM COMPANY.
AUGGH!
WHAT?

CROSSWORD

By Eugene Sheffer

ACROSS

1 One of the guys
4 Resort
7 Removes, as a hat
12 Remiss
13 Jungfrau, for one
14 Wear away
15 Recede
16 Site of the Caymans
18 Blood group letters
19 Prepared to propose
20 New Zealander
22 Curvy character
23 Equipment
27 Old hand
29 To-do list
31 Thespian
34 Firebug's crime
35 Half a legendary comedy team
37 Doctrine
38 Nervous
39 Charged bit
41 Tart
45 More than enough
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8 Sphere
9 Adversary
10 Rx watchdog
11 Sun Yat-—
17 "Casablanca" heroine
21 Floating soap brand
23 Bacteria
24 Type measures
25 Commotion
26 Skedaddled
28 Before
30 Petrol
31 Milwaukee product
32 Scoundrel
33 Yank
36 Branch
37 Embedded
40 "Tosca" or "Turandot"
42 Put one's two cents in
43 Say
44 Selassie worshiper
45 Competent
46 Tackles' teammates
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49 Upper 36-Down
50 Plagiarize
51 Hooter

Solution time: 25 mins.

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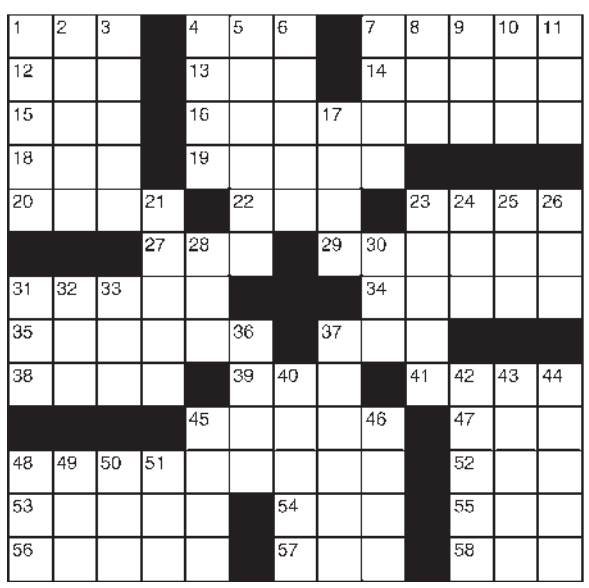
Yesterday's answer 10-28



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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Joaquin Phoenix, 37; Brad Paisley, 39; Julia Roberts, 44; Bruce Jenner, 62.

Happy Birthday: Emotional matters will escalate. It will be difficult to ferret out the truth and even more difficult to hide things you aren't proud of. Face any problem head-on if you want to move on to better times. Opportunities do exist, but you must be willing to put the past behind you and take advantage of what's being offered. Your numbers are 5, 11, 22, 27, 33, 39, 47.

ARIES (*March 21-April 19*): A lack of funds will motivate you to find new ways to earn more cash. Innovation coupled with your energetic nature and communicative charm will lead to an opportunity to market a service or product that is in demand. ✪✪✪✪✪

TAURUS (*April 20-May 20*): Emotional deception will leave you wondering what to do next. Don't let an incident or a betrayal of trust cost you financially. Too much of anything will lead to mistakes. Protect your heart and your assets. ✪✪✪

GEMINI (*May 21-June 20*): A partnership issue will challenge you. Consider both sides of the situation before you make a decision that you will have to live with. A change in your professional direction looks promising, but don't leave a secure position until you have a solid offer. ✪✪✪

CANCER (*June 21-July 22*): Negativity is the enemy. Everyone wants to be around upbeat people who are vibrant go-getters. You have plenty of options available if you become a participant instead of a spectator. Love is on the rise. A partnership can change your life. ✪✪✪

LEO (*July 23-Aug. 22*): Domestic concerns will escalate if you don't accept the inevitable. Get out and socialize or try something new that will stimulate your mind and spark ideas that can help your current situation. Don't let someone who is a burden hold you back. ✪✪✪✪✪

VIRGO (*Aug. 23-Sept. 22*): Travel and take in all the information you can. Listen to advice and re-evaluate your options. Communication is key and can lead to an opportunity if you are patient, but you must avoid argumentative people who offer nothing but grief. ✪✪✪✪✪

LIBRA (*Sept. 23-Oct. 22*): Talking to an old friend or lover will lead to an emotional misunderstanding. Take what you have learned in the past and put this information to work in dealing with your current situation. ✪✪✪

SCORPIO (*Oct. 23-Nov. 21*): Don't let anyone push you into something you don't want to do. You have to gauge your time and choose your friends carefully so that both work toward positive results. Don't rule out educational pursuits or offering to work in an institutional environment. ✪✪✪

SAGITTARIUS (*Nov. 22-Dec. 21*): Finish what you start, or someone will accuse you of being lazy or unprofessional. A secret involvement will not be as uplifting as you had once hoped. Short trips will pay off if you gear them toward business or financial gains. ✪✪✪

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CAPRICORN (*Dec. 22-Jan. 19*): Focus on what you can do to help others without taking on too great a burden. An opportunity to make sensible alterations to your domestic scene should be carried out. Someone you have been emotionally connected to in the past will confuse you. ✪✪✪

AQUARIUS (*Jan. 20-Feb. 18*): Now is the time to make decisions based on what's best for you. Question a friendship with someone using persuasive tactics to manipulate a decision you need to make. Ulterior motives are likely. You may be best moving forward alone. ✪✪✪✪

PISCES (*Feb. 19-March 20*): Expect to encounter plenty of changes going on around you. Before you jump on the bandwagon, tie up loose ends. Love and romance are highlighted and should bring positive results. Collect old debts or invest in something you have to offer. ✪✪

Birthday Baby: You are possessive, aggressive, proactive, productive, persistent and appealing.

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SUDOKU

Conceptis Sudoku *By Dave Green*

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Difficulty Level ★★★★ 10/28

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Saturday.

Yesterday's SUDOKU Answer

5	6	7	9	1	2	8	4	3
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6	1	4	7	3	9	2	5	8
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2	3	9	5	8	1	7	6	4

Difficulty Level ★★★ 10/27

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WONDERWORD®

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally, even backward. Find them and **CIRCLE THEIR LETTERS ONLY. DO NOT CIRCLE THE WORD.** The leftover letters spell the Wonderword.

THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY **Solution: 4 letters**

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Yesterday's Answer: Vibration

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1-Certified Real Estate Appraiser. Must be a CNMI licensed general appraiser. 15 yrs experience. $1,500 - $2,000.00 p/m. Marianas Professional Services, Inc. Email resume to lbtappraisal@pticom.com

1-Accountant. $1,000.00p/m. Bachelor Degree in Accounting. 5 yr experience. Must be flexible. Email resume to lbtappraisal@pticom.com

10 Comm. Cleaner–Pacific Island Cleaning. 5 yrs exp. $5.0.5/hr email resume. jerry.lucky13@yahoo.com

5-Carpenter - $5.05/hr., 5 yrs. experience. Send resume to Juan A. Gacayan, P.O. Box 505426, Saipan, MP96950.

5-Mason - $5.05/hr., 5 yrs. experience. Send resume to Juan A. Gacayan, P.O. Box 505426, Saipan, MP96950.

25-Com'l. Cleaner - $5.05/hr., 5 yrs. experience. Send resume to Juan A. Gacayan, P.O. Box 505426, Saipan, MP96950.

Job Vacancy Announcement
ALLIED CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION
(1) Accountant

Must have a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. At least 5 years experience in general and cost accounting. Knowledgeable in PIII Accounting Software Inventory and Payroll. Salary: $9.65-$13/hr.

Interested qualified US workers can send resume to jimmy@pticom.com. No phone calls please.

Job Vacancy Announcement
PACIFIC CHANGHONG CORPORATION
(1) Office Manager, (1) Sales Manager & (2) Aircon Technician

2-3 years knowledge in HVAC & Refrigeration required. Salary based on experience / qualifications.

Interested applicants may submit application to linyongspn@hotmail.com

EMPLOYMENT

1-Certified Electrician-$5.05/hr., 5yrs. experience. Send resume to Juan A. Gacayan, P.O. Box 505426, Saipan, MP96950.

1-IT Administrative Support - Assoc. degree in computer science, 5 yrs. experience, knowledge in accounting, tax preparation, proficient in PX11 system (API), willing to work on weekends and holidays. Send resume to apexsaipan@yahoo.com.

1-Foreigh Currency Teller/Cashier - High school graduate or equivalent, 2 yrs. experience, computer literate, knowledge in PX11 System (API), willing to work on weekends and holidays. Send resume to apexsaipan@yahoo.com.

K's International Corporation is need of 2–Beauticians, 2 years experience required. Please submit resume to PMB 1115 Box 10003, Saipan MP 96950

1 Accountant $5.05-$12.00/hr. Email joe.c.guerrero@gmail.com. Saint

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Job Vacancy Announcement
ASIA 360 INC.

(1) Accountant: At least 5 years work experience in wholesale business. Must have a Bachelors Degree in Accounting. Proficient knowledge in Microsoft Office, Peachtree Accounting and Quick Books accounting software. Salary: $10.00 - $11.50/hr

(1) Administrative Assistant: 2 years experience in wholesale business. Proficient knowledge in Microsoft Office,

Interested Qualified US Workers may send resume to rbval11@yahoo.com

EMPLOYMENT

Joseph's Medical tel 2334582

Part time admin. asst. for Ionique, accounting and customer service, send resume to bruce@ionique.com

6 Household Workers $5.05-$5.50/hr. MTO Maintenance (Spn), Inc. email admin@mtosaipan.com tel 7897306

1–Operation Manager (Tour): $1K –2K/mo. Min. 4 yrs exp. in tour agency mgmt or tour counseling. Korean speaking/writing fluency required. Email resume to hit@hanmisaipan.com

1–Dive Shop Attendant. Salary: $5.05p/h Min. of 5 yrs exp. Must have knowledge of compressor, gear maintenance and boats. Rescue Diver Certification required. Must be able to work flexible hours. Mail resume to S&B, Inc. PO Box 505711, Saipan MP 96950.

1–Operation Manager: $1,200/mo. Min. 5 yrs exp. as Asst Manager/

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EMPLOYMENT

Operation Manager in retail (market) req. Email resume to sk@hanmisaipan.com

(1) General Manager, (1) Cook, (1) Waiter, (1) Sewer. High School Graduate. Willing to work flexible hours. Interested applicants may submit resume to SAIPAN FASHION COMPANY. saifacom@gmail.com

(1) Household worker, (1) Cafeteria Food Attendant. Must have knowledge of HACCP procedure in food service. Must have a valid BEH food handler's certificate. No phone calls please. E-mail resume to BARNY'S PIZZA at jimmy@pticom.com

A & C Enterprises is looking for (1) Masseuse – at least 2 years work experience (2) Beautician – at least 2 years work experience Interested US Workers may submit resume to jennielyn_cruz2009@yahoo.com

1 Dress Maker w/ 2 yrs experience. Tonette's Dress Shop tel. 2862948. Send resume PO Box 7475 SVRB

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Job Vacancy Announcement

1 - Assistant Manager. Salary: $7.50 per hour.
- Review time sheets, work charts, wage computation & other information to detect and reconcile payroll discrepancies. Verify attendance, hours worked and pay adjustment.
- Be able to assist general manager in the supervision of business establishment to ensure the institute's efficiency & profitable operations. Duties include but are not limited to transactions & monitoring budget limitations, & be able to present written & oral reports on the company's financial & operational status, supervise and lead staff & teachers.
- Korean speaker is a plus & able to handle, counsel & educate students/children.

1 - Assistant to the Assistant Manager. Salary: $6.00 per hour.
- Must be qualified in business English as well as written & oral reporting. Be proficient in inventory, book keeping & customer service.
- Must have extensive knowledge in educating children.

1 - Administrative Assistant emphasize on IT. Salary: $5.50 per hour
- At least 2 yrs. College courses. Extensive knowledge of word processing & billing software.
- Must have bookkeeping, basic fax filing experience.
- Operate computers programmed with accounting software to record & analyze information.
- Very dependable, able to work odd days & flexible hrs.
- Accept all customer inquiries, reservations & complaints.
- Prepare staff schedule.
- Keep records of daily sales, expenses & do the filing for record purposes.

All interested individuals may pick up an application on the 2nd floor of Payless Shoe Source, San Jose, Saipan. Submission of application must be accompanied with copies of Police Clearance, Resume, and a photo I.D. Please call 234-7944 for more information.

ASIA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES, INC. is looking for

General Manager (1): Manage the day to day operations of the company, covering industrial equipment sales and services, repairs and maintenance of power station, industrial and commercial projects, commercial printing, and procurement of equipment and materials. Prepare budget and manpower requirements. Submit bid proposals, covering but not limited to, preparation of equipment specifications, estimates, and documents. Deep knowledge of installation, operation, electrical and mechanical repairs and maintenance of equipment and machineries in utilities, power generation, transmission and distribution, and commercial and industrial establishments. Excellent written and oral communication skills. Minimum 10 years progressive experience in engineering management. Relevant degree preferred.

Wholesale Parts Salesman (1): Knowlegeable and able to promote & sell hydraulic, pneumatic & power tools & equipment, pumps, motors, measuring instruments & tools, industrial chemicals, oil & lubricants & spare parts for light & heavy equipment. Able to conduct technical presentation and possess skill & knowledge on methods for promoting & selling technical products & services. Excellent written and oral communication skills. Minimum 5 years experience on electrical/mechanical parts sales. Relevant degree preferred.

Offset Press Operator (1): Set up, operate various types of printing equipment, such as but not limited to, offset, numbering, cutting, and embossing machines. Prepare graphic lay out and plates. Able to prepare estimates. Minimum 5 years experience with high school diploma.

Electrical Technician (3): Set up and utilize electrical diagnostic test equipment and instruments. Analyze and trouble shoot programmable logic controllers, electro mechanical, electronic motor starters and drives, and auto electrical. Rewind electric motors, generators, and transformers. Able to read and interpret electrical plans and schematic diagrams and prepare estimates. Minimum 3 to 5 years experience with high school diploma.

Mechanical Technician (1): Analyze and trouble shoot industrial equipment such as steam boilers, diesel generators, reverse osmosis, pneumatic, hydraulic systems, and related industrial equipment. Perform welding and plumbing works and repair equipment foundation. Able to interpret equipment plans and drawings and prepare estimates. Minimum 5 years experience with high school diploma.

Carpenter (1): Install structures or fixtures i.e., cabinets, windows, doors, frames, flooring, trim or hardware using hand or power tools. Able to read and interpret construction plans and drawings and prepare estimates. Minimum 5 years experience.

Painter(1): Apply paint, varnish or other finishes to equipment, buildings or other structures using brushes, spray guns or rollers. Able to read and interpret construction plans and drawings and prepare estimates. Minimum 5 years experience.

HVAC Sheet Metal (1): Fabricate and install HVAC ducts, determine project requirements and scope of works. Able to interpret construction plans and drawings and prepare estimates. Minimum 5 years experience.

Submit application not later than November 4, 2011 at ASIA PACIFIC INDUSTRIES, INC., P.O. Box 503360, Saipan, MP 96950 or email at asiapac@pticom.com, or call 235-5454.

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT - BIG BELL, INC.

One (1) Cost Estimator
- Must be a College Graduate. At least 10 years of work experience.Knowledge in analyzing blueprints and other documentation to prepare time, cost, materials, and labor estimates. Knowledge of design techniques, tools, and principles involved in production of precision technical plans, blueprints, drawings, and models. Knowledge in preparing estimates for use in selecting vendors or subcontractors. Knowledge of assessing cost effectiveness of products, projects or services , tracking actual costs relative to bids as the project develops.

One (1) Project Supervisor
- College level. Must have at least 10 years or more experience in construction operations. Knowledge in preparing estimates for proposals. Must have knowledge in structural engineering and architectural design. Proficient in preparing project schedule. Great familiarity with local building by-laws and other regulatory frame work dealing with built environment and remarkable expertise in client servicing.

One (1) Accountant
- At least 2-3 years working experience. Compute taxes owed and prepare tax returns, ensuring compliance with payment, reporting or other tax requirements FICA, BGRT, EWHT, Bar Tax) Must have knowledge in Peachtree Accounting System software. Handles customer billing, collections, and payments. Prepares/Computes payroll. Proficiency in administrative and clerical procedures and systems such as Microsoft Office Word and Excel, managing files and records, designing forms, and other office procedures and terminology. Bachelors degree in Accounting required.

Thirty (30) Carpenters/Construction Workers
- 5 or more years of experience in construction project. Ability to study specifications in blueprints, sketches, or building plans to prepare project layout and determine dimensions and materials required. Knowledge in shape or cut materials to specified measurements, using hand tools, machines, or power tools. Knowledge in building or repairing cabinets, doors, frameworks, floors, or other wooden fixtures used in building. Knowledge of materials, methods, and the tools involved in the construction or repair of houses, buildings, or other structures.

One (1) Heavy Equipment Operator/Mechanic
- With at least 5 years of work experience. Must have a valid driver's license in operating heavy equipment. Must know how to operate and repair H.E. Motors.

One (1) Plumber
- At least 5 years work experience. Knowledge in studying building plans and inspects structures to assess material and equipment needs, to establish the sequence of pipe installations, and to plan installation around obstructions such as electrical wiring. Knowledge of materials, methods, and the tools involved in the construction or repair of houses, buildings, or other structures.

One (1) Garbage Collector/Driver
- With at least 5 years of work experience. Must have a valid driver's license. Must know how to drive packet type truck, dump truck or truck equipped with hydraulic lifting device to collect garbage and trash and transport load to disposal area.

One (1) Restaurant Operations Manager
- Knowledge in overseeing activities in restaurant business. Manage staff, preparing work schedules and assigning specific duties. Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer and personal services. This includes customer needs assessment, meeting quality standards for services, and evaluation of customer satisfaction. Korean and Japanese speaking is preferred.

One (1) Assistant Restaurant Operations Manager
- At least 5 years work experience in restaurant business. Able to converse in Japanese and Korean. Assist the restaurant manager in planning, directing, and coordinating activities of an organization or department that serves food and beverages

Three (3) Cooks
- At least 5 years experience in cooking dishes in a restaurant. Knowledge in Korean and Japanese food preparation. Must have a good quality technique in food preparation. Korean and Japanese speaking preferred.

Two (2) Waitress
- At least 2 years working experience in a restaurant business. Knowledgeable in using cash registers. Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer and personal services. Preferably Chinese and Korean speaking

Two (2) Asst. Cook/Cook Helper
- Flexible hours required. Must possess a good moral character and be able to follow food preparation standards. Able to help the cook and perform duties of lesser skill, such as supplying or holding materials or tools, and cleaning work areas and equipment. Chinese and Korean speaking is preferred.

Email resume at bigbell@pticom.com or bring personally at Koblerville, P.O. Box 5423 CHRB, Saipan MP 96950. Phone calls will not be entertained.

CARLOS GENERAL COMMERCIAL SERVICES/DVA CATERING
Is looking for:

(3) COOK – WITH 5 YEARS EXPERIENCE, HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE

(8) HELPER – WITH 2 YEARS EXPERIENCE, HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE

Contact Ms. Jenny Borja – Admin at 788-1401
Ms. Fe Cabrera – Owner

Job Vacancy Announcement

2-CATV PLANT-BROAD BAND TECHNICIAN
1-CATV PLANT HEADEND/BENCH TECHNICAN

Interested applicants may submit your application to CNMI Cable Vision, LLC. PO Box 501298, Saipan, MP 96950.
Tel. 235-4628 or email mcv.service@saipan.com

EAST TELECOM CORPORATION
Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) Manager, (2) Technician & (2) Saleswomen
Must have at least 2 – 5 years work related experience

Interested applicant must send resume to PO Box 505577 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel no. 235-4418 or email minjh@pticom.com

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

1-Commerncial Cleaner
1-Maintenance Repairer

If interested, send resume and police clearance to Fruitful, Inc. P.O. Box 5061 CHRB Saipan MP 96950.
Tel. # 989-3827

INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
Job Vacancy Announcement

1-General Manager - $1000.00/mo.

10-Carpenters, 10-Masons, 7-Dressmakers / Seamstress, 3-Commercial Cleaners
Salary $ 5.05 per hour. 5 years work experience. At least high school graduate and/or college undergraduate.

Email resume to remmp96950@yahoo.com or call 233-6160

Job Vacancy Announcement

Christian Education Director
Must know how to speak and teach Korean
Minimum of 3 years experience

Email resume to saipan@hanmail.net
Tel: 235-7777 or 288-7777
P.O. BOX 503071 SAIPAN, MP 96950

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MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Opening Date: Oct. 14, 2011 • Closing Date: Nov. 04, 2011

Micronesian Legal Services Corporation is looking for self-motivated individuals to fill the following positions:

1. **General Accountant**
   With Bachelor's Degree Major in Accounting.
   With minimum of 5-years experience in General accounting.
   Must be familiar with Peachtree Premium Accounting system.
   Working knowledge of Microsoft Office software.
   Must be familiar with CNMI/Federal Tax system.
   Must be familiar with FSM, RMI & Palau's Tax System.
   Salary depending on experience.

2. **Computer Support Specialist**
   Must have a course certificate or equivalent college degree in Computer Technology.
   With minimum of 5-years experience in computer, network and telecommunication systems.
   Must be familiar with Kemps Case Management Software.
   Salary depending on experience.

Please send your resume and current Police Clearance to: admin.central@mlscnet.org; fax to: (670) 322-7101 or mail to: P.O. Box 500269 Saipan, MP 96950.

MLSC is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Job Vacancy Announcement
JAGUAR LIMITED DBA. CLUB MERMAID

1 **GENERAL MANAGER**
Qualifications:
- 3 - 4 years work experience.
- College graduate or college level with Management Course.
- Responsible for establishing goals & objectives for the operation.
- Has excellent sales and marketing executions.
- Ability to control profit & loss with business analysis.
- Salary $7.00/hr

1 **BARTENDER**
Qualifications:
- At least 3 – 5 years experience.
- Full time with flexible working hours.
- Salary $5.05/hr.
- Japanese speaking preferred.

1 **SUPERVISOR**
Qualifications:
- 3 – 5 years work experience in Bar/Night Club operation.
- Preferably College Graduate or College level.
- Full time with flexible working hours.
- Salary $5.05/hr.

15 **WAITRESS**
Qualifications:
- At least 21 – 25 years old with pleasing personality.
- 2 – 3 years experience as a Waitress in a bar or in an Entertainment Business.
- Full time with flexible working hours.
- Salary $5.05/hr.
- Japanese speaking preferred.

5 **SINGERS**
Qualifications:
- At least 21 – 25 years old with pleasing personality.
- 2 – 3 years experience as a Singer in a Karaoke Bar or in an Entertainment Business.
- Full time with flexible working hours.
- Salary $5.05/hr.
- Japanese speaking preferred.

Please mail your resume to PMB 697 BOX 10000 Saipan, MP 96950
Contact our Office at Tel.: (670) 233-1545 between 2:30PM to 9:00PM.

Hilights Beauty Salon
is inviting qualified applicants for:

Hairstylists/Cosmetologists (2 part-time positions) – Minimum of High School Diploma, plus 7 years recent experience in providing all around beauty services to customers from consultation, cutting, coloring, styling, massaging, makeup, hair removal, and nail and skin care services. Must be organized and follow all health and sanitation requirements. Salary is $5.05 per hour.

Applicants must be of good moral character, be able to work flexible hours, including graveyard shifts, good work ethics, reliable, and stress tolerant. Please submit resume, Police Clearance, and 2 by 2 picture to Hilights Beauty Salon, JTV Bldg, As Lito Road, no later than October 26, 2011. Qualified applicants must be able to submit at least two Employment Certifications, including reference of good character.

MICRONESIAN LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
Executive Director

Micronesian Legal Services Corporation (MLSC) provides free legal services to people of limited financial means in the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Republic of Palau. The administrative office is located in Capitol Hill, Saipan. MLSC is seeking applications for the position of **Executive Director**, who will work at the Capitol Hill Office.

Qualifications:
A J.D. degree, or the equivalent, and at least ten years of relevant professional legal experience, preferably in the area of providing free legal services to those of limited financial means.

General Responsibilities:
The Executive Director acts as the chief executive officer of Micronesian Legal Services Corporation, and is appointed by and accountable to the Board Directors of MLSC. The Executive Director is responsible for insuring the economical and effective delivery of legal services and the maintenance of the highest quality of services and professional standards.

Duties Include:
- Develop and implement strategies to fulfill the goals of MLSC as set by the MLSC Articles of Incorporation and Board of Directors.
- Adopt rules and policies in furtherance of action taken by the Board of Directors.
- Assure implementation of and adherence to MLSC policy, in conjunction with the Deputy Director and as set forth in the Client Service Manual, Office Policies Binder, Personnel Manual, all job descriptions, and other MLSC policies.
- Assure compliance with Legal Services Corporation Regulations and instructions and funding conditions, in conjunction with the Deputy Director.
- Make staff hiring and termination decisions in accordance with personnel policies.
- Propose a budget annually to the Board of Directors, which includes staff size and configuration, staff benefits, office space and equipment, and all other expenditures.
- Supervise the preparation of the annual Refunding Application to the Legal Services Corporation and respond to inquiries regarding the Application.
- Work with Micronesian governments in conjunction with other staff members regarding annual appropriations to MLSC, and coordinate applications for other sources of funds.
- Maintain productive relations with the Board of Directors, Legal Services Corporation, and governmental and non-governmental institutions whose actions have an effect on MLSC.

Compensation and Benefits:
Compensation is dependent upon experience. Benefits include health insurance, annual leave, sick leave, and employer contribution to a 401(k) program. Please submit a resume and letter of interest by November 20, 2011, to:

By mail: Micronesian Legal Service Corporation
P.O. Box 500269, Saipan, MP 96950
By email: co@mlscnet.org

YK CORPORATION DBA SUNSHINE LAUNDRY

Industrial Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Workers (9) - $4.55-$5.05/hour

Operate or tend washing or dry-cleaning machines to wash or dry-clean industrial or household articles, such as cloth garments, suede, leather, furs, blankets, draperies, linens, rugs, and carpets. Includes spotters and dyers of these articles.

Tasks:
- Receives & mark articles for laundry or dry cleaning with identifying code numbers or names, using hand or machine markers.
- Start washers, dry cleaners, driers, or extractors, and turn valves or leers to regulate machine processes and the volume of soap, detergent, water, bleach, starch and other additives.
- Sort and count articles removed from dryers, and fold, wrap, or hang them.
- Examine and sort into lots articles to be cleaned, according to color, fabric, dirt content, and cleaning technique required.
- Load articles into washers or dry-cleaning machines, or direct other workers to perform loading.
- Mix and add detergents, dyes, bleaches, starches, and other solutions and chemicals to clean, color, dry, or stiffen articles.
- Clean machine filters, and lubricate equipment.
- Remove items from washers or dry-cleaning machines, or direct other workers to do so.
- Operate extractors and driers, or direct their operation.
- Inspect soiled articles to determine sources of stains, to locate color imperfections, and to identify items requiring special treatment.

Knowledge:
Customer and Personal Service – Knowledge of principles and processes for providing customer and personal services. This includes customer needs assessment, meeting quality standards for services, and evaluation of customer satisfaction.

Skills:
Must have at least 2 years work experience in the Laundry Dry Cleaning services that caters to hotels. Must be able to work evening, weekend and holiday.
Operation and Control – controlling operations of equipment or systems. (Washing Machine, Steam Dryer, Folding Machine, etc.

Abilities:
Arm-Hand Steadiness – the ability to keep your hand and arm steady while moving your arm or while holding your arm and hand in one position.
Near Vision – the ability to see details at close range (within a few feet of the observer)
Trunk Strength – the ability to use your abdominal and lower back muscles to support part of the body repeatedly or continuously over time without 'giving out' or fatiguing.

Work Activities:
Getting Information • Performing General Physical Activities • Controlling Machines and Processes • Training and Teaching Others • Handling and Moving Objects • Communicating with Supervisors, Peers or Subordinates • Inspecting Equipment, Structures, or Material • Assisting and Caring for Others • Establishing and Maintaining Interpersonal Relationships • Monitor Processes, Materials, or Surroundings.

Please send resume to Y K Corporation PO Box 502913 CK Saipan, MP 96950

Closing Date: October 31, 2011

WHITE HOUSE ENTERPRISES is looking for:

(1) General Manager (Guest Relations)
Qualifications: Requires at least a high school graduate, associate's degree preferred. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours. Must speak Korean and Japanese languages.
Duties: Plan, direct or coordinate the operation of the company. Formulate policies, manage daily operations, purchasing, hiring. Implement strategies and setting overall direction of the company. Oversee and directs the company's financial goals, objectives and budgets. May prepare organizational budget and monthly financial reports. Interact with guests and assists customers. Perform other related duties.

(1) Salesperson
Qualifications: High school graduate. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience.
Duties: Assists customers in finding what they are looking for. Try to increase sales by describing a product's features, demonstrating its uses and promoting its value. Conduct financial transactions with customers, receive payments and operate cash registers. Help stock shelves or racks, arrange for delivery of purchases, mark price tags, take inventory and prepare displays. Perform other related duties that may be assigned.

(1) Bookkeeping/Accounting Clerk
Qualifications: Requires at least an associate's degree in accounting, bachelor's degree in accounting preferred. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience in a law firm. Must be literate in computer and computer applications and proficient in the use of software such as Peach Tree, Excel, Word, and Quickbooks. Requires ability to work under pressure.
Duties: Maintains accounting records including expenditures, receipts, accounts payable and receivable, and profit and loss. Prepares bank deposits, handle payroll, make purchases, prepare invoices and keep track of overdue accounts. Posts details of transactions, total accounts and computes interest charges. Ensures completeness and accuracy of data on accounts. Reconciles bank statements. Cashiering, invoicing. Prepares financial statements, reports and summaries. Computes taxes owed and prepared tax returns. Performs other related duties as may be assigned.

Salary commensurate with experience.

Applications may be submitted to White House Enterprises at Dandan, Saipan, Tel. No. 235-1616. All applications must be accompanied by a current resume.

JOON CORPORATION is looking for:

1 **General Manager (Guest Relations)**
Qualifications: Requires at least a high school graduate, associate's degree preferred. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours. Must speak Korean and Japanese languages.
Duties: Plan, direct or coordinate the operation of the company. Formulate policies, manage daily operations, purchasing, hiring. Implement strategies and setting overall direction of the company. Oversee and directs the company's financial goals, objectives and budgets. May prepare organizational budget and monthly financial reports. Interact with guests and assists customers. Perform other related duties.

1 **Assistant Manager (Guest Relations)**
Qualifications: Requires at least a high school graduate, associate's degree preferred. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours. Must speak Korean and Japanese languages.
Duties: Assist the general manager in planning, directing or coordinating the operation of the company. Interact with guests and assists customers. Perform other related duties that may be assigned.

1 **Disc Jockey**
Qualifications: High school graduate. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours.
Duties: Broadcast music and announce selections. Read prepared scripts or make ad lib commentaries as he presents music. May take requests from customers. Operate equipment that plays the music. Perform other related duties that may be assigned.

20 **Dancers**
Qualifications: High school graduate. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours.
Duties: Perform in musical productions. Present folk, ethnic, tap, jazz or other popular kinds of dance. May perform as part of a group or solo. Perform other related duties that may be assigned.

2 **Waitresses**
Qualifications: High school graduate. A minimum of five years of work-related skill, knowledge or experience. Willing to work late hours.
Duties: Greet customers, escort them to seats and hand them menus, takes food and drink orders and serve food and beverages. Answer questions, explain menu items and specials, clearing and setting up tables, or operate a cash register. Perform other related duties that may be assigned.

Applications may be submitted to Joon Corp. dba King's Club at Garapan, Saipan, Tel. No. 233-0353. All applications must be accompanied by a current resume.

JTV Enterprises, Inc.
is inviting qualified applicants for:

Custodial Worker (1 part-time) – High School Diploma, plus 6 years recent experience doing custodial work or general maintenance work in commercial building. Must be able to perform minor general building maintenance. Must be of excellent physical health to lift and use heavy cleaning equipment and furniture and fixtures. Must have no fear of height to clean building windows. Salary is $5.05 per hour.

Caregiver (2 part-time positions) – Minimum of High School Diploma, plus 2 years recent experience providing care to elderly, convalescents, or persons with disabilities with daily living activities. Must be able to administer bedside or personal care, including personal hygiene assistance. Must be able to prepare and maintain records of client progress, monitor medication intake, and quick to spot progress or changes of elderly and report to responsible party. Duties shall include keeping house and preparing meals for the elderly. Must be patient, loving, and generally concerned of elderly welfare. Salary is $5.05 per hour.

Applicants must be of good moral character, be able to work flexible hours, including graveyard shifts, good work ethics, reliable, and stress tolerant. Please submit resume, Police Clearance, and 2 by 2 picture to JTV Enterprises, Inc., As Lito Road, no later than October 26, 2011. Qualified applicants must be able to submit at least two Employment Certifications, including reference of good character.

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT – JWS AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION, INC.

ONE (1) SALES ENGINEER – Salary $1,200.00 - $2,000.00 Monthly
- SALES HVACR MECHANICAL, ELECTRICAL AND RELATED EQUIPMENT, PARTS, SUPPLIES WITH REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING KNOWLEDGE AND JUDGEMENT ON PRODUCT RECOMMENDATION
- PREPARE ESTIMATES ON EQUIPMENT, PARTS, SUPPLIES, OR SERVICES AS NEEDED
- KNOWLEDGE ON BUILDING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM, EXPERIENCE WITH TURBOCOR COMPRESSORS AND CONTROLS A PLUS.
- MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN INTERPRETING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND PREPARE SHOP DRAWING
- MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN WINTAC PRO HVAC SOFTWARE

FOUR (5) TECHNICIANS – Air Conditioning and Refrigeration – Salary $5.05 - $10.00/Hour.
- INSTALL, SERVICE AND REPAIR OF VENTILLATION, CENTRAL AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS
- PERFORM REPAIR AND TROUBLE ANALYSIS OF VAV AND WT CONTROL SYSTEMS AND ELECTRICAL/ELECTRONIC CONTROL SYSTEMS
- REPAIR AND SERVICE CHILLED WATER AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM. EXPERIENCE WITH TURBOCOR COMPRESSORS AND CONTROLS A PLUS
- SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE WITH MANITOWOC ICE MACHINES, TAYLOR ICE CREAM MACHINES, WALKIN REFRIGERATION SYSTEMS AND OTHER FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT A PLUS.
- EPA SECTION 608 AND R-410A CERTIFIED REQUIRED

ONE (2) SHEET METAL WORKER – Salary $5.05 - $7.00/Hour
- FABRICATE, ASSSEMBLE, INSTALL AND REPAIR SHEET METAL PRODUCTS AND EQUIPMENT SUCH AS DUCTS, CONTROL BOXES, DRAIN PIPES AND AHU CASINGS
- MUST HAVE EXPERIENCE WITH METAL, FIBERGLASS AND KOOLDUCT DUCTING FABRICATION
- SET-UP AND OPERATE FABRICATING MACHINES, RELATED FABRICATION TOOLS AND WELDING EQUIPMENT
- MUST BE KNOWLEDGEABLE IN INTERPRETING PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS

ONE (1) ACCOUNTANT – Salary $1,200 – $2000.00 Monthly
- PREPARE TAX RETURNS, TAX PAYMENTS AND FINANCIAL REPORTS AND VERIFY ITS ACCURACY AND CONFORMANCE WITH STANDARD ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE
- MONITOR DAILY TRANSACTIONS, PREPARE JOURNAL ENTRIES AND RECORD TO WINTAC PRO HVAC ACCOUNTING PROGRAM
- HANDLE CUSTOMER BILLINGS, COLLECTIONS, AND CASH RECEIPTS, PAYMENT AND PAYROLL
- KKNOWLEDGEABLE IN WINTAC PRO HVAC ACCOUNTING PROGRAM AND MICROSOFT OFFICE

ALL OF THE ABOVE MUST POSSESS GOOD COMMUNICATION SKILL AND A MINIMUM OF 10-YR WORK EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.

ONE (1) COMMERCIAL CLEANER – Salary $ 5.05/Hour
- PERFORM DUTIES TO MAINTAIN AND CLEAN OFFICE AND PRIVATE RESIDENCE IN AN ORDERLY MANNER
- PERFORM BASIC HOUSEHOLD CHORES
- MUST BE HONEST, RESPONSIBLE, RELIABLE AND EFFICIENT AT ALL TIMES AND POLICE CLEARANCE REQUIRED.

APPLICATION CAN BE OBTAINED AND SUBMITTED AT JWS AIR CONDITIONING AND REFRIGERATION, INC's OFFICE AT UNIT 4, G/FLOOR, LIM'S BLDG., COR. BEACH AND MSGR. GUERRERO ROAD, SAN JOSE VILLAGE, SAIPAN OR EMAIL TO: **jwssaipan@pticom.com** or **tonys.jwssaipan@pticom.com**

Milne's Realty Management is looking for:

Cleaner: $5.05/hour
At least high school graduate & 5 yrs. experience required, can work without supervision, honest and trustworthy.

Farmer: $ 5.05/hour
Minimum 5 yrs experience required. Must be able to perform the duty of farmer in accordance with the instructions of the employer.

E-mail resume to maryann_milne@yahoo.com.
No phone calls please.

Vacancy Announcement - US Workers

3 - Masseuse
Minimum of 2 years experience.
$5.05/hour

R & H USA INVESTMENT CORP. LTD.
PMB 264A, P.O. Box 10002, Saipan, MP 96950
Email: tomastchong@gmail.com or call 888-5748

WHATZIT Solution: Tightrope walker

Karidat Social Services
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Karidat has two job openings for: one (1) Victims of Crime Advocacy Coordinator and one (1) Shelter Worker. Application forms are available at Karidat's main office located on Chalan Kanoa Drive. Application deadline for the two positions will be Thursday, November 03, 2011, 4:30 p.m.
No telephone inquiries please.

Job Announcement

Administrative Assistant/Church Clerk

Qualifications:
- With Christian education course & understand the ministry of the Sunday school
- At least 2 years experience in record keeping and correspondence of the church
- Must have administrative ability and be in complete agreement with the doctrine an policy of the Marianas Baptist Church

Interested applicants must submit resume to: Marianas Baptist Church, Dandan, Saipan 96950

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1 - General Maintenance Worker

High School graduate or equivalent with at least 10 years work experience. Has demonstrated the ability to perform general routine repairs and maintenance in electrical, plumbing, carpentry, refrigeration and air conditioning, including painting, masonry, grounds keeping and appliance repairs. Must be a driver. Must be knowledgeable in the use and maintenance of hand and power tools used in maintenance and repair of buildings. Must be able to work flexible hours including outdoors with minimal supervision. Salary: $5.05 per hour (No house provided). Please mail resume or biodata to BMSablan Auto Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Repair Shop to PO BOX 501274 Saipan, MP 96950.

Job Vacancy Announcement

1 - General Accountant. Salary: $5.25/hr. 5 years experience. Prepares, examine or analyze acctg. Records, financial statements, or other financial reports to assess the accuracy, completeness and conformance to reporting and procedural standards. Responsible for the proper maintenance and accuracy of the company's accounting system and files. Compute taxes owed, and prepare tax returns, ensuring compliance with payments, reporting or other tax requirements. Report to management regarding the finances of management. Cashiering & other related duties.

Interested applicants may pick up an application at All Parts, Inc. dba Car Quest. No phone calls please.

DKSH Saipan, Inc.

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(3) Part-time Sales Associates
3 yrs experience and High School graduate required.

Submit your resume via email to caronel@saipan.com or apply in person at Caronel Watch Center in Garapan.

Grace Christian Academy
Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) Kinder Teacher &
(1) Elementary Teacher

Qualifications: Holder of Bachelor's degree in education; At least 5 years teaching experience preferably in a Christian school; Must be ACSI certified; Must be willing to submit to the doctrinal beliefs of the school Must adhere to all school policies and procedure Preferably ACSI certified

Download application form at www.gca-nmi.com
Submit completed application to Grace Christian Academy, Navy Hill, Saipan, Mp 96950 GCA is accredited with the Association of Christian Schools International.

Job Vacancy Announcement

Legal Counsel (2)
Open: October 24, 2011 • Closed: November 07, 2011
FLSA Status: Exempt

The CNMI Office of the Public Auditor (OPA) is looking for experienced legal counsels. Detailed information about the requirement for the positions and employment application may be obtained at the OPA website: http://www.opacnmi.com .

Interested applicants must submit all the required information by mail, email, or hand delivery at the office/email addresses listed below. Submission must be marked confidential and must have the applicant's name and returned address.

Office of the Public Auditor
1236 Yap Drive, Capitol Hill • P.O. Box 501399, Saipan MP 96950
Email: jobs@opacnmi.com

Job Vacancy Announcement

JAPAN ENTERPRISES CORP. DBA CLUB MICRONESIA

15 DANCERS
Qualifications:
- At least 21 – 25 years old with pleasing personality.
- 2 – 3 years in Dancing experience especially Cultural and Variety Dance Skills.
- Full time with flexible working hours
- Salary $5.05/hr.
- Japanese speaking preferred.

10 WAITRESS
Qualifications:
- At least 21 – 25 years old with pleasing personality.
- 2 – 3 years experience as a Waitress in a bar or in an Entertainment Business.
- Full time with flexible working hours.
- Salary $5.05/hr.
- Japanese speaking preferred.

Please mail your resume to
P.O. Box 502589 Saipan, MP 96950 or
Contact our Office at Tel.: (670) 233-1545
between 2:30PM to 9:00PM.

MAN'S SERVICES, LLC
Job Vacancy Announcement

4 - Garbage Collector
1 - Heavy Equipment Mechanic

Minimum wage. 2-3 years experience required.

Please submit resume with attached copies of driver's license, police and health clearance to Man's Services, LLC P.O. Box 503393 Saipan, MP 96950

Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) Diesel Mechanic – Technical School graduate w/ 5 yrs. experience as diesel mechanic & millwright in power plant

(2) Automotive/Diesel Mechanic – with minimum of 5 yrs. experience

(1) Accountant – Minimum of 5 yrs. experience in general accounting, proficient in various computer softwares: Peachtree Accounting, Microsoft Office Word, Excel and Outlook. Must be able to work independently with minimum supervision and has excellent Organizational skills in dealing with financial & numeric data. Must have excellent communication skills.

Contact: PMIC at Tel# 322-6181,
Fax # 322-6180

Pacific Data System (PDS)
would like to announce a position for
Telecommunications Manager
for their Saipan office.

The applicant must have prior experience with the installation and upkeep of 2 and 4 wire UNEs, T1s, PRIs, XDSL, etc. Must also possess knowledge of PBX systems whether VoIP or Traditional. Certifications such as A+, Network+, Security+, and CCNA recommended but not required.

Submit resumes to
jobs@pdscnmi.com

LSG Sky Chefs

LSG Sky Chefs is seeking for the following positions to establish a list:

- Counter Attendant
- Food Server/Kitchen Helper
- Cook and Cook Helper
- Delivery Driver
- Sanitation Worker

Interested applicants must submit a court and traffic clearances, picture identification (i.e. driver's license or mayor's office picture identification), Social security card, passport or birth certificate.

We are located at the Tun Herman Pan Road and situated between the American Red Cross and the Historic Preservation Office.

PACIFIC HISTORIC PARKS
AT AMERICAN MEMORIAL PARK

Store Manager

Extensive retail experience in a Supervisory position. Computer Skills in Office, Excel, PP and retail Software. Schedules, trains, motivates, report writing. Exceptional detail skills. Math, people, safety skills. Knowledge of Labor laws of CNMI. Multiple languages preferred. Flexible days and hours but must be willing to work all days Monday thru Sunday. Reliable transportation, reimburseable mileage for Work. Send resume and cover letter explaining your above skills to:

Cindy Rapadas
Regional Manager
Pacific Historic Parks
135 Murray Street
Hagatna, Guam 96910

No phone calls please.

QUAD L's COMPANY
Job Vacancy Announcement

(2) Bldg Maintenance Repairer
2-3 years experience required.
Minimum Wage

Qualified US Workers can submit resume with Certificate of employment and police clearance to 2nd floor of Quad L's Bldg. (where Bank of Saipan, Garapan Branch is located) or you may send it to quadlscompany@pticom.com

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Horizons, Inc.
US Eligible Workers Only

Bookkeeper (1)
Sales Supervisor (1)
Accounts Receivable Clerk (1)
Accounts Payable Clerk (1)
- minimum 5 years experience
- Must be proficient in Peach Tree accounting software

Route Sales Person (3)
- minimum 3 years experience in sales
- Knowledgeable in selling Philippine products

Commercial Cleaner (1)
- minimum 3 years experience

Delivery Driver (1)
- able to drive 6-wheel cargo truck with 3 tons capacity
- minimum 3 years experience

Maintenance/Repair Worker (1)
- minimum of 3 years experience
- knowledge in carpentry & welding works

Automotive Body and Related Repairer (1)
- minimum of 5 years experience

Interested persons send current resume to:
horizons87.hrd@gmail.com

Submit application no later than Oct. 29, 2011
at Horizons Inc. Tanapag, Saipan
No Phone Calls Please

Job Vacancy Announcement

10 – Commercial Cleaners
3 – Houseworker

Minimum wage. Must have at least 2 years work experience.

Please submit resume with attached copies of drivers license, police clearance and health certificate ISLAND CLEANERS ENT, INC. P.O. Box 500941, Saipan MP 96950

JUNG DONG ENT.

1 Building Maintenance Worker

Qualifications: High school graduate. A minimum of five years of work-related experience, knowledge or skill required. Must have strong skills and knowledgeable in building maintenance. Must be able to repair and maintain buildings, machinery, electrical and mechanical equipment. Must have basic knowledge and work experience doing carpentry, plumbing, electrical, masonry. Maintain tools, equipment, or structures, such as buildings, greenhouses, fences, or bench using hand or power tools. Minor repairs on small engines. Must be responsible and self-motivated. Must be hard-working, and able to follow directions well. Must be honest, dependable and trustworthy.

Duties: Maintain and repair machines, mechanical equipment and buildings. Work on plumbing, electrical and air-conditioning. Build partitions, make plaster or drywall repairs and fix or paint roofs, windows, doors, floors, woodwork and other parts of building structures. Trouble shooting and fixing faulty electrical switches, repairing air-conditioning motors and unclogging drains. Inspect and diagnose problems and determine best way to correct them. Obtain supplies and repair parts from distributors or storerooms. Use common hand and power tools and specialized equipment and electronic testing devices. Replace or fix worn or broken parts or make adjustments to correct malfunctioning equipment and machines. Perform routine preventive maintenance and ensure that machines continue to run smoothly, building systems operate efficiently and the physical condition of buildings does not deteriorate.

Salary commensurate with experience.

Applications may be submitted to Jung Dong Ent. at Dandan, Saipan, Tel. No. 235-2151.
All applications must be accompanied by a current resume.

MARIANAS STAR CORPORATION
Job Vacancy Announcement
Opening: Oct 25 – Oct. 29, 2011

(1) Project Engineer –
Salary: $1,700.00/month
Holder of a degree of Bachelor of Science in Engineering. Minimum of 5 years experience in the construction business required. Licensed Civil Engineer preferred. Knowledgeable in the preparation and execution of plans and specifications, and preparation of project estimates and schedules.

(1) Accountant – Salary: $5.50/hour
B.S. in Business Administration-Accounting graduate. Minimum of 5 years continuous work experience. Knowledgeable in the application of generally accepted accounting principles and advice and implements system of general accounting including preparation of Financial Statements. Accounts Payable, Receivables, Payroll, Bank Reconciliation, CNMI and Federal tax and other related duties. Proficiency in MS Office (Word, Excel, Publisher, Adobe, Powerpoint, etc.) applications a must Familiarity and knowledge of Peachtree Accounting. Certified Public Accountant preferred.

(3) Carpenters – Salary: $5.05/hour
Minimum of 5 years experience.
Knowledgeable in using power and hand tools and equipment. Familiarity with OSHA and CNMI Environmental laws. Knowledge and understanding of blueprints, sketches and plans relative to the work at hand a must.

(1) Electrician – Salary: $5.05/hour
Minimum of 5 years experience.
Knowledgeable in using power and hand tools and equipment. Familiarity with OSHA and CNMI Environmental laws. Knowledgeable in the installation, maintenance and repair of electrical or electronic wirings & electrical system installation.

Email to marianas_star@yahoo.com
Fax: 288-7824 • Tel: 234-5577

PACIFIC BLUE CORP.
MONSIGNOR GUERRERO ROAD,
SAN JOSE, SAIPAN MP 96950
P.O. BOX 505701
Tel.: 670-233-0168 • Fax.: 670-233-0170
Contact Person:
Elvira Dela Cruz/Renato Dizon

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORKERS, GENERAL

- (5) FIVE YEARS TO (8) EIGHT YEARS EXPERIENCE
- $5.05 /Hourly AND FULL TIME, HOUSING NOT PROVIDED (WORK COMPENSATION AND MEDICAL INSURANCE)

Job Duties:
- Supervises and participates in maintenance of waste water treatment facilities or water production facilities, Perform other tasks as assigned. (Assist with set-ups, etc.)
- Use tools ranging from common hand and power tools, such as hammers, hoists, saws, drills, and wrenches, to precision measuring instruments and electrical and electronic testing devices.
- Be on-call to cope with emergency situations.
- Clean up of work area. Sweep, mop, and vacuum as needed.
- Maintain and clean company vehicle if assigned.
- Perform routine preventive maintenance to ensure that machines continue to run smoothly, building systems operate efficiently, or the physical condition of buildings does not deteriorate.

Job Vacancy Announcement

2 – AUTO PAINTER ; 2 – AUTO BODY REPAIRER – Minimum of 5 years work experience; at least high school graduate

1 – ACCOUNTANT – With Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration major in Accounting; minimum of 7 years work experience in general accounting procedures; must be able to prepare, analyze and interpret financial statements, tax returns, payroll, customers' billings, and other accounting reports/documents, and perform other related duties.

1 – OPERATIONS MANAGER – College level; minimum of 7 years work experience in automotive industry operations and management; must have knowledge in cost estimation, paint analysis, mechanical and air conditioning diagnosis and repairs; with excellent written and oral communication skills

1 – GENERAL MANAGER – With Bachelor's Degree; minimum of 7 years work experience in automotive industry operations and management; must be able to plan, prepare and implement marketing, financial, personnel and technical programs for company's yearly operations; with excellent written and oral communication skills;

Interested applicants,
please call Tel. No. 288-0928.
PHILIPPINE EAGLE CORPORATION
Dba Philippine Eagle Auto Repair Shop
P.O. Box 501900 CK, Saipan, MP 96950

MISA ENTERPRISES
P.O. Box 500089 Saipan 96950
Tel# 234-6900

ASSISTANT MANAGER (1) :
REQ: Be able to assist the General manager in the supervision of the business establishment such as: Management of financial books, rental client agreement, building maintenance such as answering tenants complain & resolve problems. Confer with manager to review financial statements, activity reports and other performance data to determine areas needing cost reduction and improvement. Allocate funds, authorize expenditures necessary for building maintenance. Delegate authority and assign responsibilities to designate personnel for building maintenance, be able to present written & oral reports on the company's financial and operational status other related duties as Assistant Manager.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE (2):
REQ: Must have a valid CNMI driver's license and flexible in work hours. Duties may involve skills in electrical, plumbing, carpentry, masonry, painting, landscape or maintain grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. Can typically perform variety of task such as sod laying, mowing, trimming, planting, watering, fertilizing, digging, raking and installing, repairing buildings, floors or stairs.

Applicants of position listed above are required to have a minimum of 3-5 years of experience. Applications can be picked-up at Kinpachi Restaurant, MISA Building 4, Coral Tree Avenue, Garapan.
No phone calls please.

RUSTAN'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE SAIPAN
Invites qualified US Citizens to apply for the below position;

Operations Manager (1) - Graduate of a 4 year degree course in Accounting or Business Management. Must have a minimum of 5 years experience and has extensive knowledge in remittance business. The candidate must be knowledgeable in Anti Money Laundering Regulations, business planning & sales. Excellent communication skills, customer service and strong inter personal skills is a must. Must be knowledgeable in remittance software application including MS Word and Excel. Ability to speak Filipino as a 2nd language is an advantage.

Police clearance and pre-employment drug testing will be required prior to employment. Compensation will be commensurate with qualifications. For applications to be considered, they should be sent to rfesaipan@hotmail.com no later than November 04, 2011.

Job Vacancy Announcement

Auditor and Senior Auditor
Open: October 24, 2011 • Closed: November 07, 2011
FLSA Status: Exempt

The CNMI Office of the Public Auditor (OPA) is looking for experienced auditors to fill-in the following positions: Auditor and Senior Auditor. Detailed information about the requirement for the positions and employment application may be obtained at the OPA website: http://www.opacnmi.com .

Interested applicants must submit all the required information by mail, email, or hand delivery at the office/email addresses listed below. Submission must be marked confidential and must have the applicant's name and returned address.

Office of the Public Auditor
1236 Yap Drive, Capitol Hill • P.O. Box 501399, Saipan MP 96950
Email: jobs@opacnmi.com

Carrier Guam, Inc. is looking for

PROJECT ENGINEER

Job Description:

1. Team leader for Carrier Saipan branch operations.
2. Responsible in making decisiond regarding normal or routine transactions under the guidance and approval of the Manager in accordance with Carrier Corporation policies and procedures.
3. Reports to the Branch Manager on carrier Saipan operations.
4 Directs support to off-shore dealer's accounts; attends to HVAC system inquiries; sales or technical issues, accessories and parts from customers Offshore (Japan, and Diego Garcia; prepares estimates and quotations).
5. Attends to HVAC inquiries in the CNMI including FAS Marshalls Islands, Palau.
6. Does other related jobs as required by the Manager.

Qualifications:

1. Bachelor's Degree preferably in Mechanical Engineering.
2. Knowledge and background of HVAC Systems.
3. Minimum of 3-5 years experience in installation, supervision and design of HVAC Systtems and Equipment.
4. Knowledgeable in Computer HVAC Builder Programs.
5. Knowledge or background in SAP applications.

ACCOUNTANT

Job Description:

Finance & Accounting, Controls & Compliance:

1. Responsible for the daily accounting, reporting, finance and tax and regulatory compliance of the branch.
2. Provides financial information and reports of the branch as required by management.
3. Maintains company's ledgers; reconcile various GL account analysis and ensure accurate recording of transactions.
4. Does audit function of petty cash fund; verifies the accuracy of the charges and reports to Guam office.
5. Performs annual physical inventory count of the branch.
6. Prepares payment vouchers for branch and other related disbursement activities.
7. Maintain records of fixed assets including any acquisition, deletions.
8. Prepare journal vouchers for as required and other adjustments as may deem necessary.
9. Ensures compliance of accounting controls and procedures in compliance with UTC/ Carrier Finance policies and procedures.
10. Ensures compliance of CNMI rules and regulations including business tax returns, license, occupancy and zoning and other related regulatory requirements.
11. Performs other accounting functions as may deem necessary.

Credit /Collections:

1. Performs as credit controller of the branch.
2. Follow up customer payments; reviews aging report and coordinate with customers in the expeditious settlement of their account.
3. Send statement of accounts and resolve any outstanding amount of customers.
4. Prepares receiving vouchers for all customer payments received for the period; forward documents to Guam for booking.
5. Perform annual credit review of all Saipan customers.

Sales Support:

1. Prepares weekly and monthly sales report for Forecast Package.
2. Monitor daily sales report; verifies the postings of correct codes; ensure prompt reporting of any adjustments.
3. Verifies all cash sales from store and service departments.
4. Process goods received notes for all incoming shipments; indent and regular stocks including the related costs.
5. Process credit notes for any adjustments, price discrepancy returns and other related transactions as required.
6. Prepares sales ledger adjustments to reconcile with the sales ledger account.

Administrative Support:

1. Responsible in reporting any IT issues and concerns at branch.
2. Promotes and strengthens ACE program of the branch.
3. Ensures compliance of EH & S issues in accordance with UTC Safely Rules and Policies.
4. Performs as Human Resource Coordinator and administrative officer of the branch.

Qualfications:

1. Four (4) year Bachelor Degree in Accounting /college diploma or its equivalent.
2. At least 3-5 years experience in HVAC industry.
3. Knowledge in accounting, auditing and regulatory compliance.
4. Excellent interpersonal skills, communication skills and interaction with internal and external customers.
5. Ability to manage multiple tasks and meet deadlines in accounting closing period.
6. Knowledge of Opera II software and other related accounting software.
7. Must have experience in letter of credit.

PROJECT COORDINATOR

Job Description:

1. Prepares quotations on equipment & parts.
2. Coordinates work schedules for service and projects jobs.
3. Prepares electronic time ticket of technician.
4. Prepares invoices for jobs < $500.00.
5. Prepares jobcosting analysis for job<$500.00
6. Prepares Purchase Orders.
7. Maintains PO Log Tracking and forwards to Guam Office.
8. Reconciles vendor accounts.
9. Receives and accepts service calls.
10. Prepares Pro-forma Invoice for project and secures payment.
11. Prepares Sales Order for RLC, Project and when ordering parts for store.
13. Coordinates with Guam(Store) regarding request for transshipment of parts and equipment.
14. Corrdinates with off-island customers on payment, order status and other after-sales services.
15. Prepares monthly Backlog reports.
16. Provides support in tracking orders and provide status to team members.
17. Updates status of customers orders and job status.
18. In-charge of airline booking, hotel and accomodation booking for personnel on official trips
19. Input time in/ time out on electronic file and submit to Guam for approvals.
20. Collates all necessary shipping documents of shipments then submit to Accounting for GRN
21. Issues OR and prepares STR.
22. Issues Store Requisition when Juan is not available.
23. Assists store as needed.
24. Assists Project Sales in other needed documents.
25. Inquire parts availability from Guam store, ARCD & vendors.

Qualifications:

1. Minimum of 3 - 5 years of administrative duties and related experience.
2. Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications ,Word, Excel and Power Point .
3. Preferably college graduate or its equivalent educational degree.
4. Excellent interpersonal skills, communication skills, phone skills/telephone manners.
5. Ability to prioritize project, work relatively independently, manage multiple tasks and meet deadlines.
6. Knowledge in Pegasus Opera II System, SAP & HVAC.
7. Ability to be flexible, proactive and disciplined required.
8. Ability to respond to customer inquiries and needs.
9. Must have experience in Letters of Credit.

REFRIGERATION & AIR CON TECHNICIAN

Job Description

1. Performs services and Preventive Maintenance on industrial,commercial and residential air conditioning & refrigeration system including AC units with Building Management System (BMS), AC units with Variable Volume and Temperature(VVT).
2. Performs troubleshooting and repair of various types of airconditioning and refrigeration systems.
3. Performs installation, start-up, testing and commissioning of various Air Conditioning equipments.
4. Prepares estimate & quotation for the supply of Residential and Light Commercial Airconditioning.
5. Prepares estimate and quotation for repair works, including equipment and/or parts replacement.
6. Coordinates with customers to meet their preliminary requiremets on installation of equipment.

Qualifications:

1. Must have EPA Universal license.
2. Preferably knowledgeable in HVAC troubleshooting and repairs, installation, commissioning and preventive maintenance, with minimum work experience of 3-5 years or related equivalent.
3. Preferably with experience in the start-up and commissioning of Chillers.
4. Knowleadgeable in MS Word and MS excel.
5. Must be a graduate of 2-year vocational course on Refrigeration and Airconditioning or its equivalent.

Interested applicants may get application form at
Carrier Guam, Inc. Saipan Branch office, Moir Building, Chalan Pale Arnold Road.

Submit Application with Resume, Photo ID and Police/Court Clearance no later than November 8, 2011.

Job Vacancy Announcement

1 - **General Maintenance/Farmer**. Salary. $5.05/hour
1 - **Cook**. Salary $5.05/hour

If interested please call ET Enterprises at 433-9212.

Ran Corporation
Job Vacancy Announcement

(1)**General Manager**-Salary $1,750.00 p/m., (1)**Teacher**-Salary $5.05/h, (1)**Art Teacher**-Salary $5.05/h, (1)**Car Washer**-Salary $5.05/h, (2)**Fiberglass Man**-Salary $5.05/h

Must have at least 2-5 yrs work related experience.

Interested U.S. Citizen must submit resume to P.O. Box 505719 Saipan MP 96950

XYC CORPORATION
Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) Manager
Must have at least 2 – 5 years work related experience

Interested applicant must send resume to PMB 1188 Box 10003 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel no. 235-7835 or email 307664668@qq.com

Job Vacancy Announcement
WORLD INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION
3 - GENERAL MAINTENANCE
Qualifications:
• At least 2 – 3 years experience in a Commercial Building Maintenance. Preferably in Carpentry and Masonry.
• Full time with flexible working hours
• Salary $5.05/hr

Please mail your resume to PMB 654 Box 10000 Saipan, MP 96950
Contact our Office at Tel.: (670) 233-1545
between 2:30PM to 9:00PM.

Job Vacancy Announcement

Speedy Turtle Dive Shop is announcing vacancy of 2 Teacher-Instructor positions.

5.05/hr • Medical Insurance • US Social Security

Job responsibilities:
- teaching for scuba diving theory and practical aspects;
- instructing students and experienced divers;
- to perform duties of dive leader (dive guide);
- maintain and repair scuba diving gear;

The Job requirements:
- rating of Certified NAUI Diving Instructor or higher;
- 5 years experience in Scuba Diving Instructing;
- minimum 2000 registered dives;
- knowledge of scuba diving gear, its maintenance and repair;
- knowledge with air compressor machinery and experience in running such machinery;
- knowledge and experience in underwater video and photo filming;
- knowledge of scuba diving, free diving and snorkeling gear in order to run diving gear shop;
- Knowledge of Russian language (speaking, writing and reading) and familiarity with Technical (diving) Russian terminology is a plus;

Submit resume via fax 234 6286. For inquiries, please call: 493 9616; contact person Oleg Tchernychenko.

PKCL ENTERPRISES DBA APARTMENT RENTAL
P.O. Box 501957, Saipan, MP 96950

JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Building Maintenance Repairer (1): High School Graduate or equivalent, 5 years work experience in plumbing, electrical, carpentry, painting, masonry and various other construction and repair work.

Commercial Cleaner (1): High School Graduate or equivalent, 5 years work experience in cleaning apartment building, dust & mop, polish floor & furniture. Must be honest & trustworthy, work flexible hours.

Farmer (1): 5 years work experience in ground maintenance & landscaping, brush cutting, & general cleaning. Hardworking & trustworthy, work flexible hours.

Send resume to PKCL ENTERPRISES, P.O. BOX 501957, Saipan MP 96950

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(7) Food preparation personnel
$5.05-$5.30 per hr.

A minimum of 5 years of experience in a specialty high volume commercial kitchen is required. Must be capable of performing all tasks necessary to prep, cook and serve multiple specialty items simultaneously. Must also have experience with the mixing and handling of dough.

Qualified individuals should email a full resume to bobcause@hotmail.com for an appointment.

SAIPAN AUTO CLINIC COMPANY
Job Vacancy Announcement

1 - Manager
1 - Radiator Repairer

Minimum wage. Must have at least 2 years work experience in Auto Repair Business.

Interested Qualified US Workers can fax resume to 235-7742

SUNNY PLACE, LLC
Vacancy Announcement

1 - Sales Representative. Salary $5.05 - $10.00p/h. 2 years working experience. High School Graduate. Proficient in English & Japanese (reading, writing, speaking).

Interested U.S. applicants, may email resume to Edward@miona-usa.com

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Job Vacancy Announcement
ZHIYE CORPORATION
(1) MANAGER, (2) SALESPERSON, (1) STORE KEEPER
Must have at least 2 – 5 years work related experience

Interested applicant must send resume to PMB 193 Box 10003 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel no. 287-2238 or email 183468840@qq.com

SVC INVESTMENT CORPORATION
Pawnshop / Apartment
Job Vacancy Announcement

Manager - $ 5.50/hour
Provide daily and monthly reports. Knowledge to value items based on market price. Appraise and estimate items being pawned. Knowledge to distinguish different kinds of gold and diamonds. Perform other related duties. Flexible time. Graduate of a 4 yr. degree course. 2 years minimum experience.

Asst. Manager - $ 5.25/hr
Provide sales report. Knowledge to value items based on market price. Appraise and estimate items being pawned. Knowledge to distinguish different kinds of gold and diamonds. Perform other related duties. Flexible time. 2 years minimum experience.

General Maintenance & repair - $ 5.05/hr
Ability to perform carpentry, plumbing, glass replacement, painting, masonry, grounds keeping and electrical wiring.

Email resume to nbudano@yahoo.com

RISING STAR MANS JOINT VENTURE
Job Vacancy Announcement

1 - Heavy Equipment Mechanic
2 - Heavy Equipment Operator

Minimum wage. 2-3 years experience required.

Please submit resume with attached copies of driver's license, police and health clearance to Rising Star Man's Joint Venture PMB 454 Box 10001 Saipan, MP 96950

LIAO TI CORP
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

1 General Manager, 5 Cosmetologist & 3 Masseuse

Interested applicant must send resume to PMB 2082 Box 10002 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel no. 233-8998

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(1) Fisherman (Bottom/Trolling/Diving). With 6 mos. Experience • (1) Driver. Must be able to carry heavy coolers of fish. Must be able to work with a flexible schedule. Minimum salary. Send your resume to SMJ Corporation. P.O. Box 503944 Saipan MP 96950.

Job Vacancy Announcement
TE IVI MAORI INC.
(1) Farmer
Must have at least 2 – 5 years work related experience

Interested applicant must send resume to PO Box 502890 Saipan, MP 96950
Tel no. 235-6531 or email jasonmine@hotmail.com

Job Vacancy Announcement
Additional Workers Needed

(2) Mason: 5 YEARS EXPERIENCE - $5.05/HR
(2) Carpenters: 5 YEARS EXPERIENCE - $5.05/HR
(2) Waitress: 3 YEARS EXPERIENCE - $5.05/HR

Interested applicants must contact and submit resume to RPCF, INC P.O. Box 504549 Saipan, 96950
Tel#: 234-9127 • e-mail-brian@pticom.com

TOP DEVELOPMENT, INC.
Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) Accountant – At least 7-10 years work experience in general accounting. Must have Bachelors Degree in Accounting. Proficient knowledge in Microsoft Office, Peachtree and QuickBooks accounting software.

Salary: $9.62-$11.50 per hour.

Interested Qualified US Workers may submit resume to tdi@pticom.com

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SEASIDE MART, INC.

Bookkeeper
- Must have Bachelor degree in Accountancy with 5 yrs experience
- Must have knowledge in Peachtree Accounting Software
- Must adopt to work related demands and flexible hours

Purchasing Manager
- Represent companies in negotiating contracts and formulating policies with suppliers.
- Direct and coordinate activities engaged in buying, selling, and distributing materials and supplies especially Philippine products (i.e. fresh sea foods/dried fish)
- Locate vendors of materials and supplies, and determine product availability and terms of sales
- Prepare and process requisitions and purchase orders for supplies and materials
- Maintain records of goods ordered and received.

For Interested applicants, please email resume at ndcunanan18@yahoo.com
No phone calls please.

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Job Vacancy Announcement
(No. 12-06)

LITIGATION COUNSEL

OPENING DATE: October 28, 2011 **CLOSING DATE: November 14, 2011**

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Asia Pacific Hotels, Inc. dba Fiesta Resort & Spa Saipan - Job Vacancy Announcement

(1) FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER
Qualifications: Strong background and experience in Food & Beverage preferably in the hospitality industry. Possess the ability to work quickly, accurately and independently in a fast-paced environment. 10 years work experience required preferably in a hotel. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early morning, evenings and/or weekends.

(1) EXECUTIVE CHEF
Qualifications: Ability to direct in the preparation and cooking of food and is familiar with the preparation of food costing reports and departmental budget. 10 years work experience is required preferably in the hotel industry. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion including early morning , evenings and/or weekends.

(2) SOUS CHEF
Qualifications: Ability to direct and participate in the preparation and cooking of food. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends. 5 years work experience as a Sous Chef is required and preferably in the hospitality industry.

(3) DEMI CHEF
Qualifications: Minimum 4 years work experience as a Demi-Chef, preferably in a hotel. Comprehensive knowledge of kitchen hygiene practices and occupational health and safety standards is essential. Qualification in kitchen production is an advantage.

(27) COOKS
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with 3 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Basic culinary skills and good hygiene knowledge is essential. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(22) WAITER/WAITRESS
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with minimum 2 years work experience preferably in hotel operations. Good customer service, communications and interpersonal skills are required. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) F&B ASSISTANT
Qualifications: High school graduate or equivalent with minimum 8 years work experience preferably in hotel operations. Strong organizational skills and able to complete assignments accurately, either independently or as part of a team. Ability to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends. Good writing skills sufficient to compose and edit a variety of documents using correct spelling, grammar and punctuation.

(3) PASTRY CHEF
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with minimum 5 years work experience in the production of high quality pastry and breads preferable in a hotel and knowledge of Japanese style breads preferred. Basic culinary skills/good hygiene knowledge is essential.

(3) BARTENDER
Qualifications: High school graduate or equivalent with minimum 2 years work experience in the preparation of mixed cocktails required. Strong communication and interpersonal skills are essential. Able to work flexible hours including evenings and/or weekends.

(1) RESTAURANT MANAGER
Qualifications: Minimum 5 years work experience as outlet manager preferably in a hotel. Strong interpersonal and customer-service skills are essential. Ability to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

(8) F&B SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Strong customer service skills and people oriented. Must be reliable and self-motivated. Is able to stand for long periods of time and lift up to 25 pounds. Minimum 6 years work experience as F&B supervisor preferably in a hotel. Foreign language skill a plus. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

(1) MECHANICAL SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Able to supervise and coordinate the activities of mechanics, installers and repairers. Good judgment, decision making skills, and time management skills. Minimum 6 years work experience required preferably in a hotel or 8 years work experience in a similar large complex with central plant.

(3) A/C REFRIGERATION MECHANIC
Qualifications: Able to install and repair industrial and commercial refrigeration systems. 3 years previous work experience preferably in a hotel or 5 years work experience in a similar large complex with central plant. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) LANDSCAPING SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Able to directly supervise and coordinate activities and work schedule of employees engaged in landscaping and grounds keeping activities. Must have 5 years previous work experience preferably in a hotel. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(2) LANDSCAPING WORKER
Qualifications: Basic knowledge of Horticulture. Must be able to work outdoors exposed to all weather conditions. 2 years previous work experience. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(2) CARPENTER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building complex with central plant. Performs physical activities such as lifting or moving materials weighing up to 50 pounds with or without accommodation. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) BRICKMASON
Qualifications: Performs brick laying, stone setting, tile setting and cement finishing work. Performs carpentry work incidental to masonry work. Must have 2 years previous work experience. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) PAINTER SUPERVIOR
Qualification: Minimum 4 years work experience as painter supervisor preferably in a hotel or 6 years work experience in a similar large building complex with central plant. Able to work accurately, with interruptions, to meet deadlines.

(1) PAINTER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building complex with central plant. Ability to move materials weighing up to 50 pounds with or without accommodation. High school graduate or equivalent.

(2) STOCK CLERK
Qualifications: Receives, store and issue goods. Takes monthly physical count of stock. Must be able to lift up to 30 pounds. Able to work independently, accurately and handle pressure in meeting strict dead-lines in a fast-paced environment. Requires frequent walking and standing on the job. Able to work flexible schedule including weekends and holidays. Minimum 2 years work experience as a stock clerk, preferably in a hotel or similar fast-paced environment. High school graduate or equivalent.

(1) BUS /TRUCK & DIESEL ENGINE MECHANIC
Qualifications: Able to diagnose, adjust, repair, or overhaul trucks, buses, and all types of diesel engines. Minimum 5 years work experience required. High school graduate or equivalent.

(3) ELECTRICIANS
Qualifications: Able to service, repair, calibrate, regulate, fine-tune or test machines, devices and equipment that operate primarily on electrical or electronic principles. Must to work in a flexible way that allows for changes in assignments and priorities depending upon identified needs of the department. Minimum 5 years work experience required. High school graduate or equivalent.

(7) LAUNDRY ATTENDANT
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must be able to speak and write in English. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Good customer service skills are essential. High school graduate or equivalent.

(23) HOUSEKEEPER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must be able to speak and write in English. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Good customer service skills are essential. High school graduate or equivalent.

(7) HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 4 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must have good command of the English language both oral and written. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Ability to set priorities in a complex environment is essential. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

(3) GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORKER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as a Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building or complex with central plant. Willingness to work outside (if necessary) in inclement weather. Must be able to carry and lift heavy objects. Possession of a valid driver's license is essential.

(2) PLUMBER
Qualifications: Minimum of 6 years of plumbing experience preferably in a hotel or similar large building or complex with central plant. Knowledge of the tools, equipment and materials common to the plumbing trade is required. Must be able to carry and lift heavy objects. Willingness to work outside (if necessary) in inclement weather.

(1) TAILOR
Qualifications: Minimum of 3 years work experience as a tailor preferably in a hotel. Must be able to think creatively. Is able to design, make draperies, repair or fit garments. Must have an interest in fashion, color and style. Must have ability to work quickly, accurately and independently in a fast-paced environment. Able to work a variable schedule on occasion including weekends.

(4) GUEST RELATIONS SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience in customer service. Minimum 2 years work experience as a supervisor. Must be able to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing to employees and guests. Requires frequent walking, and lifting. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

(1) ROOMS RESERVATION SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience in customer service and 2 years work experience as a supervisor. Must be fluent in English. Strong oral and written communication skills are essential. Must have computer literacy. Ability to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

(1) MANAGER, SALES & MARKETING
Qualification: Minimum 5 years work experience as Manager in sales preferably in a hotel. Responsible for developing, establishing and maintaining marketing strategies to meet organizational objectives. Able to work independently. Good organizational and planning skills are essential. Ability to work in remote field office for several months at a time as necessary. Accountable for customer satisfaction and providing high quality service in representing company.

(1) DIRECTOR OF SALES & MARKETING
Qualifications: 10 years work experience as director of sales preferably in the hotel industry. Will be responsible for increasing market share in existing markets and maximize new market development opportunities. Initiates market research studies and analyze their findings. Prepares sales forecasts and ensures the sale and profitability of products or services and monitors market trends. Duties involve a lot of out of hours activity required. Ability to work in the field on occasion and travel off-island to attend sales meetings as necessary. Ability to speak English and Japanese both oral and written is preferred.

(2) SALES ASSOCIATE
Qualifications: 2 years work experience in cashiering and previous retail experience preferred. Able to perform duties with minimal supervision. Must be able to work irregular hours, such as shifts, holidays and weekends. Requires standing and frequent walking while on duty. Basic foreign language speaking skill is preferred. Ability to speak two basic foreign language is an asset.

(1) MANAGER, ENGINEERING DEPT.
Qualifications: Minimum 6 years work experience as Manager of engineering department, preferably in a hotel. Responsible to assist the Chief Engineer in ensuring the efficient and economic operation of the engineering department in support of all other operating departments, supplying services as required to the entire operation, and maintaining equipment, building and grounds in optimum condition. Good problem solving, administrative and interpersonal skills are required. Must be able to work "on-call" seven (7) days a week, including holidays.

(1) IT MANAGER
Qualifications: College graduate with a bachelor's degree in computer course. Must have strong background on all IT hardware, software and communication business requirements. Strong communication and interpersonal skills necessary. Management skills and familiarity with hotel business solutions software are essential. Systems analysis and programming is a must. Prior work experience in the hotel industry is preferred. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early morning, evenings and/or weekends including holidays.

(2) ACCOUNTING CLERK
Qualifications: Performs a variety of general clerical/basic accounting duties. Also acts as cash custodian for all cash receipts and ensures immediate deposit of cash the following banking day. Minimum 2 years work experience in a hotel, preferred. Must be proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Is able to multi-task and work independently. Strong problem solving skills is essential. Must be able to work a flexible schedule on occasion, including weekends.

(1) GENERAL ACCOUNTANT
Qualifications Responsible for the preparation of monthly financial statements, related accounting reports and for the supervision of general accounting section. Supervises closing of books at month end. Assists the accounting manager in the preparation of financial reports and forecasts and all other related areas. Minimum of 3 years progressive experience in general ledger operations. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Must be able to work a flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

(1) ACCOUNTING ANALYST - Accounts Payable/Disbursements
Qualifications: Responsible for coordinating and maintaining accounts payable from receipt of source documents to reconciliation of transactions to General Ledger. Must be a college graduate with bachelor's degree in Business Administration, major in accounting preferred or 3 years work experience within the field. Previous work experience in a hotel preferred. Must have progressive experience in accounts payable operations. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Must be able to work flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

(2) ACCOUNTING ANALYST - Accounts Receivable
Qualifications: Responsible for coordinating and maintaining accounts receivable from receipt of source documents to reconciliation of transactions to General Ledger. Ensures that accounts are kept on current status. Bachelor's degree in Business Administration, major in accounting, preferably or 3 years work experience within the field. Progressive experience in accounts receivable operations, preferably in a hotel. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Must be able to work flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

(1) INCOME AUDITOR
Qualifications: Generally responsible for ensuring the prompt and accurate posting of daily revenue operation results. Minimum of 5 years progressive experience in night audit/income audit operations, preferably in a hotel. Must be able work evenings including weekends and holidays. Microsoft Office applications and other software are essential. Good communication and interpersonal skills are necessary. Must be able to work under pressure.

(1) ROOMS DIVISION MANAGER
Qualifications: 10 years work experience preferably in the hotel industry. Able to plan, direct, and/or coordinate activities for the facility ensuring enjoyable experience for vacationing families and business travelers. Responsible for ensuring the facility is operating efficiently and profitably. Must be able to solve problems quickly. Initiative, self-discipline and effective communication and interpersonal skills are essential. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications. Must be able to work "on-call" seven days a week including holidays.

(1) ASST. ROOMS DIVISION MANAGER
Qualifications: 10 years work experience preferably in the hotel industry. Assists the Rooms Division Manager in carrying out the company's objectives. Good customer service, organizational and planning skills are essential. Foreign language speaking skill is highly preferred. Must be able to work "on-call" seven days a week including weekends and holidays.

(2) GUEST SERVICES AGENT
Qualifications: 2 years work experience in providing quality customer service, preferably in hotel operations. Guest Services Agent is responsible for providing guests fast, friendly and efficient service. Must have knowledge in Microsoft Office applications. Must have outstanding ability to perform several tasks at once. Must be able to work a flexible schedule including weekends, nights and holidays. Foreign language speaking skill is highly preferred.

(8) GUEST RELATIONS AGENT
Qualification: Minimum 2 years work experience as guest relations agent preferably in the hotel industry or a fast-paced environment. Strong customer service and interpersonal skills are essential. Must be able to multi-task. Frequent standing and walking on the job is required. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications software. Must be able to work a flexible schedule including early mornings, nights, weekends and holidays. Foreign language speaking skill is a plus.

(4) SPA MASSAGE THERAPIST
Qualifications: Performs professional massage therapy, body treatments and facials and remain current with the industry. Flexibility to work effectively in a changing environment. Ability to adapt to changes in work assignments. Must have the willingness to work evenings, weekends, including holidays. Minimum of 2 years work experience as a masseuse.

(1) SPA SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 5 years work experience in a spa environment. Will be responsible to assist with the efficient running of The Spa outlet in line with the company's goals and objectives in meeting above standard performance. Prior retail experience is an asset. Must have the ability to lift and move up to 25 pounds. Basic foreign language speaking skill is preferred.

(1) HOTEL CONCIERGE
Qualifications: Minimum of 4 years working experience as a hotel concierge. Job requires being reliable, responsible and dependable and fulfilling obligations. Must be able to work under pressure. Ability to speak a foreign language is preferred. Ability to work a variable schedule including weekends and holidays. High school graduate or equivalent. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

(1) ACCOUNTING MANAGER
Qualifications: Supervises the following sections in Finance: General Accounting, Purchasing, Cost Accounting and Income Audit. Primarily responsible for maintaining an efficient and effective accounting system that would respond readily to the needs of internal and external users of financial information. Minimum of 5 years progressive management experience in accounting operations preferably in a hotel. Strong analytical skills and problem solving. Proficient in Accounting Software, SAP R3 FICO system. Expertise with MS Excel, Word and Power Point is required. Must be able to work under pressure of completing deadlines and willing to work flexible hours.

(1) COST ACCOUNTANT
Qualifications: Generally responsible for ensuring that food and beverage costs are within hotel standards. Renders regular reporting of food and beverage costs to management. Calculates food cost of regular menu items and assists banquet department in costing special banquet menus. Witness/participates in the periodic physical inventory counts and reports to immediate supervisor for any major discrepancies. Minimum of 3 years work experience as cost accountant preferably in a hotel. Proficient in Microsoft Office application and other software. Must be willing to work on flexible schedule on occasion on weekends.

(1) PURCHASING SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum of 3 years work experience as a purchasing supervisor preferably in a hotel or a face-paced environment. Ability to make judgments regarding alternative means of procuring materials/goods or services based on cost and serviceability. Ability to pay close attention to detail with a high degree of accuracy. Ability to adapt to changes in work environment, work assignments, and/or changes in priorities. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Experienced with inventories to include, but not limited to, Food and Beverage, Dry goods, and Housekeeping Cleaning & Guest Supplies is a requirement. Willing to work flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

(1) MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANT - APHI
Qualifications: BS in accounting and minimum 5 years progressive experience in finance and accounting management, preferably in the hotel/hospitality industry. Proficient in the use of SAP R3 FICO software and other hotel's front office and POS systems. Is responsible for planning, reviewing and administering accounting systems and procedures. Analyzes the financial information needs of APHI (Asia Pacific Hotels, Inc. dba: Fiesta Saipan, Saipan Grand and Century Hotel), provides advice on financial planning and risk management, and provides management with reports to assist in decision-making. Must have in-depth understanding In-depth understanding of the hotel industry and clear understanding of the integration of various hotel's bookkeeping, accounting and reporting function is highly preferred. Must have clear understanding of internal audits and annual audits. Strong written and verbal communication, interpersonal and customer service skills.

(1) SUPERVISOR, SALES & MARKETING
Qualification: Assists the Regional Director of Sales & Marketing in coordinating all local Korean and Japanese sales efforts. Develop and maintain relationships with local Korean tour companies. Ability to effectively communicate and interface with peers as well as executive level management. Requires strong communications skill both oral and written in Korean, Japanese and English. Ability to work well under pressure and is willing to work a variable work schedule on occasion including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

(1) EXECUTIVE HOUSEKEEPER
Qualifications: Minimum 8 years work experience in housekeeping is required, preferably in a hotel. Knowledge in the use of carpet cleaning equipment, floor polishing machines, and light commercial washers. Ability to lift or move equipment/materials weighing up to 30 pounds. Must be able to work a variable schedule including weekends, and holidays. Strong customer service and communication skills.

(2) STEWARD SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Responsible for supervising employees in cooking to ensure cleanliness, quality, efficient and economical food service. Responsible for silverware cleaning, dishwashing, cookware replacement and maintenance. Minimum of 3 years working experience as steward supervisor, preferably in a hotel. Requires frequent walking and standing on the job. Must be able to lift up to 30 pounds. Willing to work flexible schedule including early morning hours, nights, weekends and holidays. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

(1) MAINTENANCE COORDINATOR
Qualifications: Responsible for efficiently coordinating work with other departments of the organization. Assists the supervising manager with preparation of monthly reports such as utilities consumption and departmental maintenance trouble calls. Prepares the schedule for departmental job orders. Minimum of 3 years work experience as maintenance coordinator preferably in a hotel. Strong ability to read and follow verbal instructions. Proficient in Microsoft office applications and other software. Willing to work flexible schedule including weekends and holidays.

(1) NIGHT AUDITOR
Qualifications: Responsible for all audit-related functions in Fidelio and Pixel Point environment and other manually-transacted activities of both rooms, food & beverage, and other revenue centers, making sure that all forms of revenues are captured and reported in the system. College graduate, bachelor's degree in Business Administration, major in accounting preferably or 2 years work experience within the field. Ideally, previous hotel-related experience, progressive experience in night audit operations. Strong personal computer skills needed. Job requires working typically from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. and may entail reporting on duty on weekends and holidays.

Applications can be obtained at the Security Office at the Hotel's South Wing. To be considered, applications must be submitted not later than October 31, 2011. Background checks and pre-employment drug testing will be required prior to employment.
Fiesta Resort & Spa, Saipan is an Equal Opportunity Employer Qualified Women, Minorities, Veterans and Persons with Disabilities are urged to apply.

Asia Pacific Hotels Inc., dba Saipan Grand Hotel
JOB VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Position: (9) COOKS
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with 3 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Basic culinary skills and good hygiene knowledge is essential. . Ability to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

Position: (1) DEMI CHEF
Qualifications: Minimum of 4 years work experience as a Demi-Chef preferably in a hotel. Comprehensive knowledge of kitchen hygiene practices and occupational health and safety standards is essential. Supervise and Coordinates activities of kitchen operation and personnel.

Position: (9) WAITER/WAITRESS
Qualifications: High School graduate or equivalent with minimum 2 years work experience preferably in hotel operations. Good customer service, communications and interpersonal skills are required. Ability to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

Position: (2) F&B SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Strong customer service skills and people oriented. Must be reliable and self-motivated. Is able to stand for long periods of time and lift up to 25 pounds. Minimum 6 years work experience as F&B supervisor preferably in a hotel. Foreign language skill a plus. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early mornings, evenings and/or weekends.

Position: (2) A/C REFRIGERATION MECHANIC / TECHNICIAN
Qualifications: Able to install and repair industrial and commercial refrigeration systems. 3 years previous work experience preferably in a hotel or 5 years work experience in a similar large complex with central plant. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

Position: (4) LANDSCAPING WORKER / GARDENER
Qualifications: Basic knowledge of Horticulture. Must be able to work outdoors exposed to all weather conditions. 2 years previous work experience. Must be a high school graduate or equivalent.

Position: (1) PAINTER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building complex with central plant. Ability to move materials weighing up to 50 pounds with or without accommodation. High school graduate or equivalent.

Position: (4) ELECTRICIANS
Qualifications: Able to service, repair, calibrate, regulate, fine-tune or test machines, devices and equipment that operate primarily on electrical or electronic principles. Must to work in a flexible way that allows for changes in assignments and priorities depending upon identified needs of the department. Minimum 5 years work experience required. High school graduate or equivalent.

Position: (5) HOUSEKEEPER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must be able to speak and write in English. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Good customer service skills are essential. High school graduate or equivalent.

Position: (4) HOUSEKEEPING SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 4 years work experience preferably in a hotel. Must have good command of the English language both oral and written. Ability to speak basic foreign language is a plus. Ability to set priorities in a complex environment is essential. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications.

Position: (3) GENERAL MAINTENANCE WORKER / REPAIRER
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience as a Handyman preferably in a hotel or in a similar large building or complex with central plant. Willingness to work outside (if necessary) in inclement weather. Must be able to carry and lift heavy objects. Possession of a valid driver's license is essential.

Position: (1) TAILOR
Qualifications: Minimum of 3 years work experience as a tailor preferably in a hotel. Must be able to think creatively. Is able to design, make draperies, repair or fit garments. Must have an interest in fashion, color and style. Must have ability to work quickly, accurately and independently in a fast-paced environment. Able to work a variable schedule on occasion including weekends.

Position: (1) GUEST RELATIONS SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience in customer service. Minimum 2 years work experience as a supervisor. Must be able to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to communicate effectively orally and in writing to employees and guests. Requires frequent walking, and lifting. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and Fidelio system.

Position: (1) ROOMS RESERVATION SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Minimum 2 years work experience in customer service and 2 years work experience as a supervisor. Must be fluent in English. Strong oral and written communication skills are essential. Must have computer literacy. Ability to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and Fidelio System.

Position: (6) GUEST SERVICES AGENT
Qualifications: 2 years work experience in providing quality customer service, preferably in hotel operations. Guest Services Agent is responsible for providing guests fast, friendly and efficient service. Must have knowledge in Microsoft Office applications and Fidelio system. Must have outstanding ability to perform several tasks at once. Must be able to work a flexible schedule including weekends, nights and holidays. Foreign language speaking skill is highly preferred.

Position: (1) IT TECHNICAL SUPPORT MANAGER
Qualifications: College graduate with a bachelor's degree in computer course and at least 3 years work experience. Must have strong background on all IT hardware, software and communication business requirements. Strong communication and interpersonal skills necessary. Management skills and familiarity with hotel business solutions software are essential. Systems analysis and programming is a must. Prior work experience in the hotel industry is preferred. Must be able to work a variable schedule on occasion, including early morning, evenings and/or weekends including holidays.

Position: (2) SALES ASSOCIATE
Qualifications: 2 years work experience in cashiering and previous retail experience preferred. Able to perform duties with minimal supervision. Must be able to work irregular hours, such as shifts, holidays and weekends. Requires standing and frequent walking while on duty. Basic foreign language speaking skill is preferred. Ability to speak two basic foreign language is an asset.

Position: (1) GENERAL ACCOUNTANT SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Responsible for the preparation of monthly financial statements, related accounting reports and for the supervision of general accounting section. Supervises closing of books at month end. Assists the accounting manager in the preparation of financial reports and forecasts and all other related areas. Minimum of 3 years progressive experience in general ledger operations. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and other software. Must be able to work a flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

Position: (1) INCOME AUDITOR SUPERVISOR
Qualifications: Generally responsible for ensuring the prompt and accurate posting of daily revenue operation results. Minimum of 5 years progressive experience in night audit/income audit operations, preferably in a hotel. Must be able work evenings including weekends and holidays. Microsoft Office applications and other software are essential. Good communication and interpersonal skills are necessary. Must be able to work under pressure. Also responsible in handling of company general funds, supervising of employees in the sales associate and must be knowledgeable with purchasing procedures by having alternative means of procuring materials/goods or services based on cost and serviceability. Ability to pay close attention to detail with a high degree of accuracy, adapt to changes in work environment, work assignments and/or changes in priorities. Must also have experience with inventories to include, but not limited to, F&B, Dry Goods and HK cleaning and guest supplies. Willing to work flexible schedule on occasion including weekends.

Position: (1) ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
Qualifications: Associate's Degree with a minimum of 5 years experience in providing administrative support services to all Department such as Accounting Office, Engineering Department, Executive Office, Kitchen Department and Human Resources Office. Must be good at written and oral communication. Must be computer literate with experience in HR2 and time logging system programs including Excel, Power Point, Words, etc. and HR functions. Must be able to consistently demonstrate good customer service and interpersonal skills at work. Can work flexible hours. Must be available to work on weekends, holidays and weeknights.

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Position: (1) PROGRAM COORDINATOR
Qualifications: College graduate with at least 2 years experience. Must coordinate activities of hotel functions through the reservation packages. Confers with front office staff to verify room rates and promotional packages by analyzing competitive market prices. Must be fluent in English. Strong oral and written communication skills are essential. Must have computer literacy. Ability to work weekends and nights including holidays. Ability to speak a foreign language will be a plus. Proficient in Microsoft Office applications and Fidelio system.

Position: (1) POOL ATTENDANT
Qualifications: High school graduate with at least a year experience as a pool attendant. Must monitor activities in swimming areas to prevent accidents and provide assistance to swimmers. Cautions swimmers regarding unsafe areas. Maintains order in swimming areas. Inspects facilities for cleanliness. May clean and refill swimming pool. May determine chlorine content and pH value of water using water testing kit and must be knowledgeable with the use of chemicals for the pool. Other related job as required.

Position: (1) INCOME AUDITOR
Qualifications: Generally responsible for ensuring the prompt and accurate posting of daily revenue operation results. Minimum of 2 years progressive experience in night audit/income audit operations, preferably in a hotel. Must be able work evenings including weekends and holidays. Microsoft Office applications and other software are essential. Good communication and interpersonal skills are necessary. Must be able to work under pressure.

Position: (2) ENGINEERING SUPERVISOR
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Qualifications: Associate's Degree in Business, Sales or Marketing. Minimum 8 yrs experience in wholesale & distribution of frozen, chill & dry food items. Extensive product knowledge of frozen food items and fresh produce items required. Must have extensive contact in various industries. Must have good oral and written communication skills. Must have good interpersonal skills. Must have a valid CNMI Driver's License.

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Qualifications: Associate's Degree. Minimum 4 years work-related experience in general accounting in a wholesale company. Must have extensive knowledge and experience in receivables, payables, shipments documentation, inventory control, costing, billing, and invoicing Must be proficient in MS Word, Excel, and WIS Software. Must have a valid CNMI Driver's License.

ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT, INVENTORY (1)
Qualifications: Associate's Degree in Business or Accounting. Minimum 4 years work-related experience in inventory management and control. Knowledge of and experience in handling frozen food items. Must know USDA inspection rules. Must be proficient in MS Word, Excel and WIS Software. Must have a valid CNMI Driver's License.

ACCOUNTANT (1)
Qualifications: Bachelor's degree in Accounting. Minimum 8 years work-related experience in general accounting in the wholesale industry. Must be able to prepare and maintain G/L, financial statements and reports. Must be able to prepare payroll and monthly, quarterly and annual tax returns. Must know CNMI & Federal tax rules. Must be proficient in MS Word and Excel, WIS Software. Must have a valid CNMI Driver's License.

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Game 6 postponed due to rainy forecast

ST. LOUIS (AP)—Colby Lewis and his Texas teammates casually tossed a ball in left field, trying to avoid the tarp and any anxiety about being so close to the World Series championship.

On this day, the only winner was the weather.

Game 6 was postponed Wednesday because of an accurate wet forecast, delaying the Rangers' bid to clinch their first championship. Ahead 3-2, they can close out the St. Louis Cardinals on Thursday night. It's likely to be clear with temperatures in the low 50s at Busch Stadium.

"We're not getting antsy, we're not getting ahead of ourselves. We just have to wait," Texas manager Ron Washington said.

Lewis is set to start against Jaime Garcia. If there's a Game 7 Friday night, it'll be Matt Harrison for Texas against, well, no telling. St. Louis manager Tony La Russa playfully mentioned the great Bob Gibson, but ace Chris Carpenter on three days' rest looms as a possibility.

"It's already been asked about Carp," La Russa said. "I was told by Carp that he would be ready to go."

The postponement came after a travel day for the teams. This two-day gap is the longest at the World Series since 1989, when the Bay Area earthquake left the Athletics and Giants idle for 11 days.

"It's just a rainout, that's it," Texas star Michael Young said. "I don't know if people think we're going to sit in our hotel rooms all night biting our nails. We're going to get something to eat, get some rest and be ready to go."

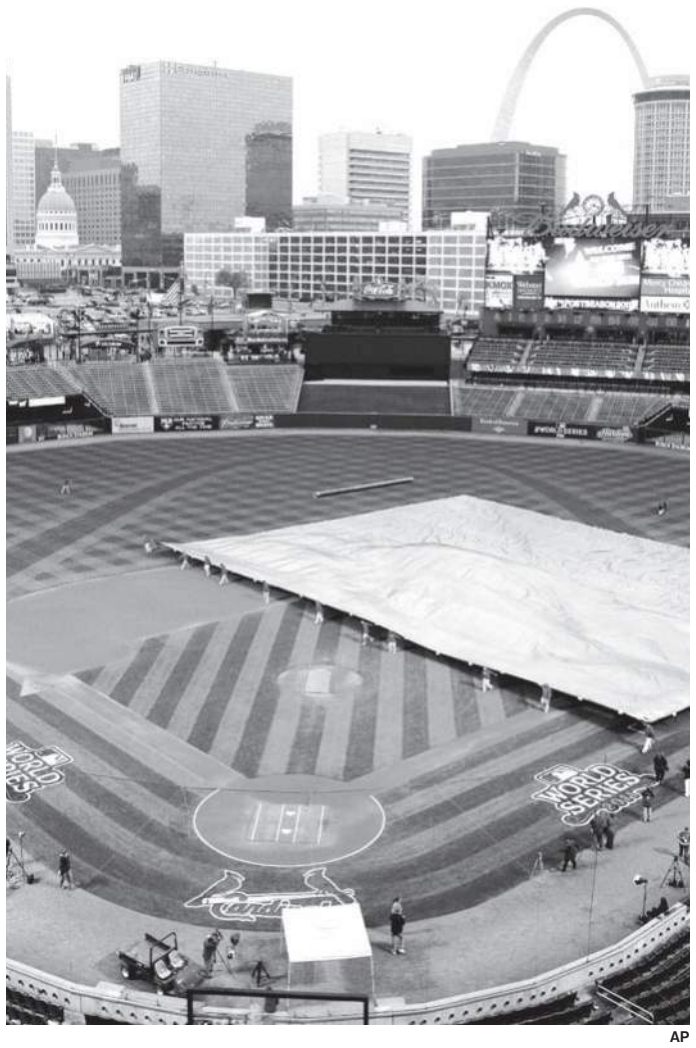
After a damp season and postseason, Major League Baseball announced the decision about 4 1/2 hours before the scheduled first pitch. At the time, no drops had fallen at the ballpark.

"I'm not even sure why they canceled it," Cardinals outfielder Lance Berkman said. "This is better than the weather for Game 1. I guess I'm going to lie back on the couch like a big, fat pig and watch a movie."

Maybe Berkman could've joined La Russa. The Cardinals manager planned to go see "Moneyball."

By late afternoon, a light mist turned to drizzle and then to steady rain. More showers were on the way throughout the night.

This was the first Series washout since 2008 at Philadelphia. That year, Tampa Bay and the Phillies were tied in the sixth inning when rain and snow turned the field into a quagmire, forcing a suspension. It rained the next day, too, and the game finally resumed two days later, with the Phillies winning to take the crown.



AP

Workers put a tarp on the infield at Busch Stadium Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2011, in St. Louis, after officials announced that Game 6 of baseball's World Series is postponed due to rain.

Because of the debate about how to handle that situation MLB adopted a rule a few months later mandating that any postseason game stopped in progress would be resumed at the point of suspension, rather than being postponed and starting over.

This marked the latest rainout at a Series since 1986, when Game 7 between the Red Sox and Mets was pushed back by a day.

MLB executive Joe Torre said he alerted Washington and La Russa on Tuesday that a postponement was possible.

Rain was in "every forecast we had probably for the last three days," Torre said at a news conference. "They were all consistent there was going to be rain during the game."

Looking at Commissioner Bud Selig, Torre asked: "Do you want to play in rain?"

During the AL championship series, a game between Detroit and the Rangers in Texas was called because of a predicted storm that never arrived. This time, it came.

Busch Stadium has had weather woes in the past. In 2006, Game 4 between Detroit and the Cardinals was called.

Rain has hovered over the majors all year with more than 50 washouts, baseball's highest total since 1997. The bad weather actually started before opening day, as the Milwaukee Brewers and Reds worked out in snow flurries on March 31.

Wicked weather intruded earlier in this postseason, too.

The opener of the AL playoff series between Detroit and New York was halted after 1 1/2 innings by showers that lasted all night. The game at Yankee Stadium was suspended and picked up the next day at the point when it was stopped.

The only other suspension in postseason history was that Rays-Phillies game in 2008.

Baseball began the playoffs a week earlier this year than last season, intending to have the World Series conclude before November. MLB also hoped the adjustment could help avoid a chilly finish for the championship. It was in the 40s and raw last week for Game 1.

It was in the 70s and clear at Busch Stadium on Tuesday. A perfect night to play, but it was a travel day for Texas and St. Louis.

Banged-up Texas star Josh Hamilton took the rainout in stride.

"You don't have to get worked up, hyped up to get into game mode and then shut it down," he said. "We know early, so we're able to come out here, get some swings in the cage, throw a bit. And it's smart for the pitchers, too, they don't have to get up, get going, have a rain delay, sit down."

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NBA sides meeting in hopes of ending lockout

NEW YORK (AP)—NBA owners and players were engaged in another marathon session Wednesday, meeting for more than 12 hours in talks aimed at ending the lockout.

The two sides got back to the table with a small group meeting less than a week after three intense days of mediation didn't produce a new labor deal. Wednesday's negotiations marked the second-longest bargaining session since the lockout began July 1.

Talks broke down last Thursday when players said owners insisted they agree to a 50-50 split of revenues as a condition to further discuss the salary cap system.

The first two weeks of the season already have been canceled, and there's little time left to save any basketball in November. Commissioner David Stern has said he feared even games through Christmas would be in jeopardy if there wasn't a deal last week.

Stern rejoined the talks Wednesday after missing last Thursday's session with the flu. He was joined by Deputy Commissioner Adam Silver, owners Peter Holt of San Antonio, Glen Taylor of Minnesota and James Dolan of New York, and a pair of league office attorneys.

The union was represented by executive director Billy Hunter, president Derek Fisher of the Lakers and vice president Maurice Evans of the Wizards, attorney Ron Klempner and economist Kevin Murphy.

AP

Carmelo Anthony, right, talks with LeBron James, left, during a charity basketball invitational game in Oklahoma City, Sunday, Oct. 23, 2011. The game was the latest in a series of exhibition games across the country as NBA players stay in the spotlight while locked out by the league.

The players have lowered their proposal to 52.5 percent of basketball-related income, leaving the sides about $100 million apart annually, based on last season's revenues. Players were guaranteed 57 percent of BRI under the previous collective bargaining agreement.

The system is the other chief hurdle. Seeking greater parity among their 30 teams, owners are looking to reduce the ways that teams can exceed the salary cap so that big markets won't have a significant payroll advantage. They have proposed raising the taxes the highest spenders would pay, but players fear the penalties would be so punitive they would act like a hard salary cap.

The sides also are struggling over items such as the length of the deal, players' contract lengths and the size of their raises.

Silver said last week it was "unclear" to him whether an 82-game schedule was still possible. The league could try to reschedule the lost games if a deal can be reached soon.

Samuel takes a shot at Eagles' management

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Unhappy he was trade bait, Eagles cornerback Asante Samuel criticized management and compared the team's front-office to people who play fantasy football.

"Couple people upstairs might not want me, but who cares. They've probably never played football," Samuel said Wednesday. "It's a business and they run it like a business and they're going to do what they need to do. They're playing with a lot of money, playing fantasy football, doing their thing."

Asked if he was referring to general manager Howie Roseman and president Joe Banner, Samuel replied: "Howie and Joe? I don't know, do they fit the comment I made? "There ya go. You think they're upstairs playing fantasy football with the owner's money?"

Samuel, a four-time Pro Bowl pick, said he doesn't have any problem with coach Andy Reid.

"Me and Andy talked, cleared it up, everything is good," Samuel said. "Everything has been good with me and Andy. That's my guy, that's who I play for, that's who I continue to play for. I go to war for Andy. It is what it is, all the other stuff upstairs."

Samuel's name has been mentioned in trade rumors since Philadelphia acquired cornerbacks Nnamdi Asomugha and Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie in July.

"When they traded for Dominique, I was happy. When they signed Nnamdi, definitely was happy," Samuel said. "But when they made the call to me and said they were trying to trade me, that's when it went bad. I know it's not a rumor. I know it's a fact. They called me. They called me and my agent. Talked to both of us."

Reid spoke to reporters early Wednesday, and said neither he nor Samuel were going to discuss the trade speculation.

But after Samuel's critical comments post-practice, Reid issued the following statement:

"I am aware of how Asante felt and we have since talked. We both left with a positive feeling going forward. As I have said previously, when we acquired Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie and Nnamdi Asomugha, we had received numerous calls on the availability of our cornerbacks.

"After discussing significant trade offers with other teams, we decided to keep all three cornerbacks on our team. Asante is a valuable member of our team and we appreciate all that he brings to this organization. As far as my relationship with Howie and Joe, I have a great deal of respect for both of them and I know we are all on the same page."

Samuel signed a six-year, $57 million contract with the Eagles in 2008. He's due to make $8.4 million next year and $10.4 million in 2013.

The Eagles (2-4) meet the Cowboys (3-3) in Philadelphia on Sunday night.

PGA Tour to delay mailing player of the year ballots

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP)—The PGA Tour player of the year race isn't over yet.

The tour decided Monday to wait two weeks before sending ballots to the players because of the HSBC Champions in Shanghai, a World Golf Championship event Nov. 3-6 that counts as official if a PGA Tour member wins it.

The plan was for the ballots to go out Tuesday until tour officials realized a change in the schedule. A year ago, the HSBC Champions was played the week before the season-ending event at Disney. This is a non-Ryder Cup year, so the WGC event is two weeks after.

"It's important because it's an official win for a member, and that should hold the ballot open," said Andy Pazder, the tour's chief of operations. When we send out the ballot, we have a brief summary of the player's year on the PGA Tour. It would be a glaring omission if someone won the tournament and that wasn't on there."

Luke Donald became a strong favorite for player of the year when he won Disney on Sunday, making six straight birdies on the back nine for a 64 to win by two shots. It was his second victory of the year—as many as six other plays—and Donald also captured the money title and Vardon Trophy for lowest scoring average.

Donald has said he likely would play in Shanghai if his wife has given birth to their second child.

PGA champion Keegan Bradley is the only multiple winner on the PGA Tour who also has a major. Bradley is among those playing in Shanghai next week. A win would give him three for the year, including a major and a World Golf Championship.

Also playing is Masters champion Charl Schwartzel of South Africa, who has not missed a cut this year. Schwartzel is not likely to be on the ballot now, but adding a world title to his major championship could make a difference.

"It could affect who's on the ballot, and it could affect someone's resume who is on the ballot," Pazder said.

He said players still would have until Dec. 9 to return the ballots.

The HSBC Champions does not count toward the PGA Tour money list. Starting last year, the tour decided it would count as official if won by a PGA Tour member, including a spot in the Tournament of Championship in Hawaii.

Mayweather not guilty in Vegas harassment case

LAS VEGAS (AP)—Floyd Mayweather Jr. was acquitted Wednesday of misdemeanor harassment charges alleging he threatened the lives of two homeowner association security guards in an argument about parking tickets outside the boxer's Las Vegas home.

The 34-year-old prizefighter didn't testify during the Las Vegas Justice Court trial. His attorney called the encounter between Mayweather and the guards a "trivial matter," and said the case hinged on the boxer's celebrity.

Las Vegas Justice of the Peace Diana Sullivan said she wasn't convinced that the guards feared any threat would be carried out. Even the guards testified under questioning by Wright they would have preferred not to take the case to trial.

"If this wasn't Floyd Mayweather, we wouldn't have been in court," attorney Richard Wright said outside the downtown Clark County Regional Justice Center. "Any other case would have resolved with an offer of an apology and a handshake."

The not guilty finding was a victory for the undefeated prizefighter, whose legal problems have mounted in the past year. The most serious charges—stemming from a domestic dispute with his ex-girlfriend and two of their children in October 2010—could put him in prison for 34 years if he's convicted.

The case heard Wednesday was over an Oct. 4, 2010 encounter between Mayweather and two security guards at the Southern Highlands community where he lives in a 12,000-square-foot, $9.5 million home.

Parking for Mayweather's 29 cars has been a frequent source of friction in the gated and patrolled community is about 10 miles south of the Las Vegas Strip.

Mayweather found tickets on his cars, berated the guards for touching the vehicles, removed a ticket from one vehicle and stuck it on the windshield of their security patrol vehicle, the guards, 23-year-old Miguel Burgos and 24-year-old Aaron Ryan, told police.

Burgos said Mayweather told them, "my homies have guns, if you want me to call them they'd come over here and take care of you."

The two guards feared for their safety, prosecutor Lisa Luzaich said.

The guard were armed with handguns, Wright countered. They never left their patrol pickup truck during Mayweather's display, and could have driven away.

The judge agreed.

"I do not see evidence beyond a reasonable doubt that they were in fear for their safety," she said.

Wright tried to show the guards decided to press charges under pressure from their supervisors to back up a civil lawsuit filed in January by the Estates at Southern Highlands Golf Club Community Association claiming Mayweather threatened employees and wouldn't follow association rules. The complaint was voluntarily dismissed March 31.

Mayweather, who could have faced up to six months in jail and a $1,000 fine on each of the two misdemeanor charges, did not speak to reporters about the decision.

Mayweather is scheduled to stand trial Nov. 4 on an unrelated misdemeanor battery complaint alleging he poked another homeowner association security guard in the face during a separate argument over parking tickets in November. Mayweather has pleaded not guilty.

He also is scheduled for a Dec. 21 evidence hearing on more serious felony charges stemming from the domestic dispute with his ex-girlfriend and two of their children at the woman's home. Mayweather could face 34 years in prison if convicted in that case.

His lawyers have denied wrongdoing on his behalf in those cases.

Mayweather is 42-0 in his professional boxing career, with 26 knockouts

Pacquiao takes it personally in 3rd Marquez fight

LOS ANGELES (AP)— Manny Pacquiao never takes his fights personally. The pound-for-pound king's opponents are usually quite respectful of his throne, and the easygoing Pacquiao shrugs off any stray insults with a smile.

Not this time. Not in his third fight with Juan Manuel Marquez, the closest thing to an archrival for this unrivaled eight-division champion.

Pacquiao's trainers are sensing an unsettling edge in the Filipino congressman, who started an all-out training regimen with pre-dawn runs and lengthy gym workouts before the fight was even announced. The steady stream of bloody, beaten sparring partners leaving the Wild Card Gym testifies to a focus that nobody in Pacquiao's camp has ever seen.

"I'm not upset, but I get excited because he's claiming that he won the fights," Pacquiao said while wrapping his hands in the broom closet that serves as his dressing room at trainer Freddie Roach's gym in Hollywood.

"That's why I train hard, because I want to end this, all the doubts. This is our last fight."

Pacquiao admits he's insulted by Marquez's boastful insistence that he won their first two fights, which ended in a draw in 2004 and a split decision for Pacquiao in 2008. Marquez even traveled to the Philippines to plead his case to the public, wearing a T-shirt emblazoned with: "We Were Robbed."

In truth, both bouts were dazzling displays of style and heart, with Pacquiao's aggression and toughness matching Marquez's counterpunching and combinations for 24 fascinating rounds. Pacquiao knocked down Marquez three times in the first round of the first fight, and he floored Marquez once in the rematch, but Marquez rallied both times to even the bouts, doing more damage to Pacquiao than any opponent in the past decade.

"It seems personal to him because he talks too much, and he needs to prove it," said Pacquiao, who will meet Marquez at the MGM Grand Garden in Las Vegas on Nov. 12. "He talks a lot, and it's not good for a fighter to talk a lot without action. Me, I don't talk a lot. I just do some action."

Neves rules Battle of the Champions

Bryan Neves bested 15 other cue artists in the VFW Post 3457 Battle of the Champions 9-Ball Tournament held early this month at the VFW Post 3457 in Garapan.

Neves was undefeated in five games in the culmination of the four-month competition to claim the championship trophy and the top purse of $100.

A victory in the first round against Fred Robiego moved Neves in the next phase where he was pitted against Ron Chisato. Neves won his second match to advance to the winner's bracket quarterfinals against Patrick Cepeda, who prevailed over Rico Montano and Erwin Gomez.

Neves notched his third straight triumph with a win over Cepeda and marched into the semifinals versus Rolly Villanueva. Villanueva made it to the winner's bracket semis, following a string of victories over Taylor Watanabe, Robert Sanciangco, and Mark Butac. However, Villanueva's run ended in the semis when Neves won their pairing to clinch the first finals berth.

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Participants in the VFW Post 3457 Battle of the Champions 9-Ball Tournament pose for a group photo after the competition at the VFW Post 3457 in Garapan early this month.

Villanueva fell to the loser's bracket and failed on his bid to barge into the championship game anew after bowing to Butac. Butac kept his hopes alive for the second and last championship slot after beating Watanabe. Next up for Butac was Cepeda, who ousted Montano in the other playoff pairing. Butac won his second game in the loser's bracket after downing Cepeda and arranged a rematch against Villanueva for the last championship ticket.

Butac continued his recovery with a win over Villanueva, but settled for the runner-up honors and the $70 cash that went with it after falling to Neves in the finals. Villanueva and Cepeda ended up in third and fourth, respectively, and went home with $50 and $20.

Meanwhile, VFW Post 3457 has started another leg of Battle of Champions qualifiers last week with Jerry Soriano winning the first event.

Soriano prevailed over Cepeda in the finals after bowing to the same foe in the winner's bracket semis. Soriano pocketed $35 for topping the first qualifier, while Cepeda got $20. The series of qualifiers will last for four months with the 16 weekly winners gaining slots to the Battle of Champions. Competition organizers would like to thank Pacific Amusement and Budweiser for supporting the tournament. ***(Roselyn B. Monroyo)***

Beach v'ball meeting Nov. 3

There will be a coaches/players/parents/teachers organizational meeting regarding the beach volleyball qualifiers for CNMI National Women's Teams tryouts (both juniors and masters).

Selected athletes will be given an opportunity to compete in the next Zonal Olympic Qualifier to be held in New Zealand in February 2012. The CNMI earned two seats in the next phase of the Olympic qualifiers when the Commonwealth female strikers won over Papua New Guinea during the SubZonal Olympic Qualifier held at the Pacific Islands Club in March this year.

These tryouts are open to all interested coaches and players in the CNMI. Players must hold a U.S. passport, be at least 15 years old by February 2012, and able to commit to a rigorous training schedule. Selected players should expect to contribute in the travel costs.

Coach Russ Quinn will discuss trainings, commitments, responsibilities, and other relevant information at the meeting at 5:30pm at the Marianas High School Gymnasium. ***(PR)***

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semis pairing, 53-24.

The winner-take-all finals between Proa and Docomo Rollers will be played tonight at 5:30pm after the battle for third place between Kunoichi and RBC 2 at 4:30pm.

Kunoichi scampered off to an early 9-3 lead in the first period behind the five points of Jaime Mendoza. Madeleine Alegre and Jeralyn Castillo added two points apiece.

Ivan Sanarez made the lone field goal, while Shane Deleon Guerrero was held to a free throw in Proa's lethargic start. However, Proa fought back in the second quarter and surged ahead at halftime, 23-12. Chris Cepeda and Karlo De Leon led the rally with six points apiece in the second canto.

Proa did not shy away after the break and contained Kunoichi to only a couple of baskets in the third frame to pull away, 39-21, with only one quarter left in the semis match. Proa stretched the lead to 18 in the third, as it drew contributions from six different players.

Then in the fourth canto, Kunoichi could not posture a comeback despite getting 11 points from Nicole Arboliras as these baskets came when the win was already in the bag for Proa.

Arboliras finished with 19 points in the loss to lead all scorers, while De Leon turned in a team-high 10 markers.

In the second semis match, the Docomo Rollers broke out to a 17-8 lead, riding on the coat tails of eight points from Elmerson Feria, and never looked back for the easy win.

After a good start in the first period, Docomo stuffed RBC 2 to four points in the second quarter for a commanding 30-12 advantage at the pause. Teron Ano scored six points in the second canto to pad Docomo's lead.

RBC 2 managed to find some offense after halftime, but Docomo was happy to oblige in a back and forth third quarter that ended in a 41-20 lead for the latter. William Camacho drilled a six-point string early in the third to keep Docomo rolling.

RBC 2's engine stalled again in the final period, allowing Docomo to cruise into victory lane.

Feria top-scored in the game with 12 points, while John Darag managed eight in the loss.

First Game

Proa 60 – De Leon 10, Cepeda 8, Smithee 4, Mendoza 4, Puno 4, Villagomez 2, Capuyon 2, Palacios 2, DLGuerrero 2, Sanarez 1.

Kunoichi 32 – Arboliras 19, Mendoza 7, Alegre 2, Castillo 2, Williams 2.

Scoring by quarters: 3-9, 23-13, 39-21, 60-32.

Second Game

Docomo Rollers 53 – Feria 12, Ano 10, Camacho 9, Factor 5, Admana 4, Floresca 4, Pangelinan 3, Vivero 2, Malonzo 2, Iglesias 2.

RBC 2 24 – Darag 8, Rios 4, Deocares 3, Filedino 2, Reyes 2, Shawn 2, Venus 2, Cano 1.

Scoring by quarters: 17-8, 30-12, 41-20, 53-24.

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stumbled in the second, 24-26, before regrouping in the deciding set, 15-12. After a promising start, the Awesome Fins are at the bottom half of the team standings with their 2-6 record, the same mark Southern holds.

Regular season games in the MISO volleyball league continue today with Southern taking on QT's on the north court at 4:30pm and the Awesome Fins tangling with the KFC Fins on the south end. Then at 5:30pm, GCA faces the red hot KHS squad on the north court, while SIS duels Awesome Fins on the south end.

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saket scored his second and third goal.

Thoensaket was a marked man early in the second half, but still he found a way to elude his defenders and gave Wild Bill's another goal in the 52nd minute.

Tan Holdings was the first team to lit up the scoreboard in the second half off Chris Leon Guerrero's goal in the 50th minute. Then 30 minutes later, Lee canned his second goal to cut the lead to three, 3-6. However, Wild Bill's answered quickly with Guo Jiayuan's goal in the 83rd.

Paire 4, Shirley's FC 0

In the other Group A game, Paire Football Club shut out Shirley's FC.

The win was first in two matches for Paire, which dropped its season opener against Wild Bill's, 1-3. Shirley's FC lost its first game of the season.

Risty Vergara logged twin goals for Paire, while Timothy Tawanpiy and Tonuu Ropati added one apiece. Vergara's first goal came in the 13th minute and he recorded his second one 10 minutes later.

Tawanpiy made it a 3-0 count for Paire when he scored in the 30th minute. Ropati had his lone goal in the second half at the 68th minute mark.

Inter Godfather's 10, SKY FC 0

In the lone match in Group B, Inter Godfather's showed no mercy against SKY FC.

The victory improved Inter Godfather's record to 2-0 and put the team in the lead against MP United B (1-0-0), Matansa (0-0-1), and Korean Football Association on Saipan (0-0-0). Inter Godfather's won its season debut over Matansa last week, 1-0, behind Masatoshi Otsuka's goal.

Against SKY FC, Otsuka had a hat-trick, while Chris Nelson and Gilmark Reusora chipped in two goals each. Also scoring for Inter Godfather's were Matthew Holley and Jacob Van Dam.

Though Inter Godfather's scored a lot of goals, it took the team a while before getting its offensive rhythm, as the first goal came with 30 minutes had already gone by in the first half. Nelson made the first goal and three minutes later Otsuka hit his first goal for Inter Godfather's 2-0 lead at the break.

The second half was much easier for Inter Godfather's, as it found loopholes on SKY FC's defense several times to score eight more goals. Four of those goals were recorded in a span of 10 minutes.

SKY FC absorbed its second straight defeat after a loss by forfeit against MP United B in Week 1.

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Brazil's Rafael "The Law" Dias (15-8-2) in PXC 24 held in June this year. This will be the Korean's third PXC appearance, with his debut resulting to second round TKO win over Harris Sarmiento in PXC 22.

Jesse is one of Saipan's most experienced Mixed Martial Arts practitioners and holds a 7-3 win-loss slate. He has been training for three months for the PXC 27. Notably, both fighters normally fight as lightweights, however the pair will be stepping into the cage as featherweights for tomorrow's bout.

"I'm ready to rock and roll. I don't know anything about my opponent, except that he calls himself a beast, and I'm going to bring it to him and see what that's all about," said Jesse in a phone interview with *Saipan Tribune* yesterday.

Trench Tech's lone heavyweight, Lassiter, will also duel a Korean fighter in Doo Hwan Kim. Lassiter remains flawless after three fights and has yet to be taken into the second round. Kim is also undefeated after two bouts.

"I don't know much about my opponent at all, but I do know that KTT has built a reputation of developing strong wrestlers. So if that's where the fight ends up, I'm going to put his ground skills to a test," said Lassiter in a phone interview yesterday.

Lassiter and Jesse have been training with Spike 22 in Guam for the past few days.

Manglona has been training on Saipan at the Trench Tech Gym for the past week and is expected to arrive in Guam this morning before the weigh-in. All three fighters vowed to represent the CNMI well in PXC 27.

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Docomo Rollers vs Proa in U15 finals

WALTER CEPEDA SUTHERLAND

Proa's Jacob Palacios moves away from his defenders during their semis game against Kunoichi in the U15 division of the Rotary caging last Wednesday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

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Proa and Docomo Rollers arranged a championship showdown in the U15 division of the 2011 Saipan Rotary Club Youth Basketball League after routing separate foes last Wednesday at the Gillette Multipurpose Gymnasium.

In the first semis match, Proa recovered from a slow start en route to a 60-32 demolition of the all-female crew of Kunoichi, while the Docomo Rollers whipped sister team Rollers Basketball Club 2 in the second

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3 CNMI fighters in PXC 27

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Tinian's Keli "Rukiz" Manglona of Trench Tech-Zeng Zung will banner a small group of CNMI fighters that will be competing in tomorrow's Pacific Xtreme Combat 27 at the University of Guam Fieldhouse.

Joining Manglona in PXC 27 are Trench Tech Purebred's Fasi "Quick-draw" Jesse and Mylo "Bam-Bam" Lassiter. The Tinian fighter will take on Underworld Xtreme-Guahan Top Team's Ryan "Biggs" Biglar in a welterweight match and will aim to keep his perfect record, which now stands at 6-0.

Biglar will go to tomorrow night's bout with eight wins and only a couple of defeats. Notably, Biglar has not fought since March 2009 and has stepped away from the octagon after absorbing twin losses.

"I know that Biglar is a fellow Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu purple belt and a former UFC contender who has fought local favorite Frank "The Crank" Camacho in the past. I am also aware of his hiatus and about the losses prior to his time out of the cage, however, I'm not taking him lightly. I'm not going into the fight with any expectations, I'm just going to fight my fight and push the pace," Manglona said.

"I would like to give some shout outs to everybody back home on Tinian and everybody in the CNMI who has helped me throughout my career. I really appreciate all your support, especially those coming from Josh Castro and the Zeng Zung family," added Manglona

Manglona said he is ready for the fight, eager, and in good spirits. After the PXC 27, the Tinian bet hopes to land a fight on Saipan in December.

Meanwhile, Jesse will be paired against Korean Top Team's Jang Yong "The Beast" Kim. Kim holds a 3-4-1 (win-loss-draw) card. He drew

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Wild Bill's storms to second win

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Jeeraphong Thoensaket was relentless on offense, lifting Wild Bill's to a 7-3 victory over Tan Holdings FC in Week 2 of the 2011 NMIFA Men's Fall League last Sunday at the Oleai Sports Complex Field.

Thoensaket scored four goals in the victory, Wild Bill's second in as many games, giving the team the solo lead in Group A of the 10-team league.

The Wild Bill's striker tallied three goals in succession in the first half for a big 5-1 halftime lead. Thoensaket made his first goal in the eighth minute and had his next two in a span of two minutes, as he scored in the 18th and 20th. Wild Bill's two other goals came from Tanapon Unsa and Moses Kila, who found the back of the net in the 34th and 40th minute, respectively.

Tan Holdings broke into the scoreboard in the 12th minute off Wai Wo Lee's goal to equalize before Thoen-

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A Wild Bill's player chases the ball at the sideline during the first half of their game against Tan Holdings in the NMIFA men's fall league last Sunday at the Oleai Sports Complex Field.

Kagman takes fifth straight victory

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Kagman High School continued its uphill climb in the 2011-2012 Marianas Interscholastic Sports Organization Boys Volleyball League after beating Marianas High School KFC Fins in three sets last Wednesday at the MHS Gymnasium.

The win was fifth in a row for the Ayuyus, who dropped their first three games. Kagman now sits in third place in the team standings behind the undefeated Grace Christian Academy (8-0) and Saipan International School (7-2).

The Ayuyus lost the opening set, 24-26, but kept their winning run after ruling the last two sets, 25-9, 15-4. The MHS KFC Fins are still winless in eight games.

In other results, the GCA Eagles downed the SIS Geckos to keep their unbeaten record intact, while SIS recovered with a victory over Saipan Southern High School, 25-4, 25-20, 15-8.

The MHS QT's outlasted sister team Awesome Fins for an even 4-4 slate. QT's took the first set, 25-9, but

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A Marianas High School KFC Fins player denies a tip over attempt by Kagman High School's Joshua Jones during their game in the MISO boys volleyball league last Wednesday at the MHS Gymnasium.